

DET@MAKERVERSITY26

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MAKERVERSITY Residency COMPETITION (update)

AIM

The aim of the DET@MAKERVERSITY26 Residency-Competition is to assist development of two projects for kinetic design concepts towards commercial products. These products have to exemplify kinetic design of elegant 'motion', 'light' and 'sonics' by adding value to their 'functionality' with 'emotional wellbeing' through kinetic aesthetics. The outcome is referred to as PRODUCT OPERA.

ELIGIBILITY

Any past **ENTRANT** of any INTERPLAY Kinetic Design Competition, whether shortlisted for an Award, or not. You may be an individual within a past INTERPLAY team, or the original team (max 3 members). Entries from other ROYAL COLLEGE of ART or THE DYSON SCHOOL of DESIGN ENGINEERING at IMPERIAL, or elsewhere, will NOT be accepted.

GRANTS

Two grants are available for the most imaginative and beautiful kinetic designs that have the potential for product development into a table-top product. Each comprises :

1. A Residency at MAKERVERSITY for SIX months (Subject to capability and commitment for developing an approved project.) For details of MAKERVERSITY visit <https://www.makerversity.org>
2. £2000 (for costs towards a valid project and its development only. This excludes living expenses.)

What the Residency Includes:

Each residency provides full access to Makerversity membership on the same terms as all our resident members, including:

- 24/7 access to Makerversity's workspace at Somerset House via hot desking.
- Access to their workshop and fabrication facilities, including machinery, digital fabrication tools, and making equipment - all inclusive of free training inductions.
- A thriving community of 350+ makers, designers, engineers and creative founders with regular opportunities to collaborate, get feedback, and find support
- Participation in Makerversity events and programming, including workshops, talks, and networking events.

Judging

Judges will view the media of each Entry on the Zealous Competition Portal, and at least five applicants will be shortlisted, who will have to confirm immediately the intention to personally present their project at an a DET Event.

Important Dates:

DEADLINE to ENTER : 30th May 2026

Shortlist notification: 11th June 2026.

The DET@MAKERVERSITY26 Presentation & Award Event:

DATE: Thursday 18th June 2026. 2pm – 5pm.

VENUE: MAKERVERSITY, Somerset House, London, WC2R 1LA

TO APPLY and see full details of the competition GO TO THE ZEALOUS COMPETITION PORTAL AT:

<https://zealous.co/designeducationtrust/opportunity/det-makerversity26/>

INTERPLAY details : www.designeducationtrust.org.uk/competition

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