

Applications open for One Young World Heritage Fund scholarships

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In partnership with One Young World, we are offering 10 young leaders in Northern Ireland the opportunity to attend the One Young World Summit 2023.

[The annual event](#) – which is taking place in Belfast from 2–5 October this year – brings together 2,000 young leaders from over 190 countries to address a range of topics, from building peace to environmental activism.

Working together to accelerate social impact

Over four days of networking activities, delegates will be counselled by influential political, business and humanitarian leaders.

Guest speakers include:

- musician and activist Sir Bob Geldof
- former President of the Republic of Ireland Mary Robinson
- Nobel Peace Prize Laureate Professor Muhammad Yunus
- British-Iranian journalist and author Nazanin Zaghari-Ratcliffe

Making a difference for the future

This year's themes will include mental health, education, the climate emergency and food crisis. To mark the 25th anniversary of the signing of the Good Friday Agreement, the summit will also consider the challenges of peace and reconciliation, and ask: 'What's next for young people in Northern Ireland?'

We've awarded £56,550 to fund the scholarships. Successful delegates will leave the summit as One Young World ambassadors, equipped with valuable skills, knowledge and motivation to apply to their work in Northern Ireland.

As well as the opening and closing ceremonies, the social programme includes an evening in Belfast's Cathedral Quarter and a Community Dine Around in culture and heritage venues across the city.



Tips for applicants

The scholarships are open to individuals aged 18–30, living in Northern Ireland.

The application will ask you to consider why you want to participate in the summit, share examples of your leadership and your connection to heritage.

Margaret Henry, The National Lottery Heritage Fund's Head of Engagement in Northern Ireland, said: "Securing a One Young World Scholarship is an unmissable opportunity to meet and share

ideas with young people from around the world. It gives access to globally influential people and is a powerful forum for social impact.

"By tackling some of the real issues facing us today, delegates will collectively contribute to positive change in Northern Ireland."

What's included in the scholarship

Successful applicants will receive:

- full access to the 2023 summit including its opening and closing ceremonies
- hotel accommodation in Belfast
- catering throughout the event
- travel to and from Belfast and reasonable expenses
- lifetime membership of the One Young World Ambassador community

How to apply

For more information and to apply, [visit the One Young World website](#). Applications close on Wednesday 20 September.

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