

Conservation By Design Reveals 2013 Scholarship Winner

Conservation By Design (CXD) has announced that Élodie Lévêque, a book and manuscript conservator from Montpellier, France, is the lucky recipient of this year's coveted Nicholas Hadgraft Memorial Scholarship.

The renowned scholarship, which is now in its 9th year, offers one conservator each year the opportunity to learn more about unique bookbinding techniques from a host of well known and highly regarded tutors.

Élodie, who currently works at the Montpellier University Library, intends to use her scholarship to learn more about Gothic binding techniques. She commented: "Since my library does not fund training outside of France, the scholarship is going to be of great benefit to me and the library's upcoming medieval manuscript conservation projects."

"The Gothic binding class in particular is extremely relevant and will allow me to demonstrate the best treatment methods for a highly anticipated major digitisation project and the rest of the library's medieval collection. I am delighted to have won the scholarship and will use the opportunity to continue to develop in a career that I love."

Conservation By Design managing director, Mike Brown, said: "Every year we continue to be astounded by the quality of the applications we receive, and this year has been no exception. The scholarship is now so highly regarded within the conservation sector that we are receiving interest from all over the globe.

"In fact, the entries this year were so impressive that, for the second year running, we have decided to award a runner-up prize too. Carina Cruz Fuentes, book and photography conservator in Mexico, demonstrated considerable skill and passion for her craft, so we are delighted to invite her to attend her preferred course at the summer school."

For further information on the Nicholas Hadgraft Memorial Scholarship, contact Conservation By Design on 01234 846 300 or for more information on this story, [click here](#) .

