

## Open College of the Arts shortlisted in Prospects Postgraduate Awards 2013

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The Open College of the Arts <http://www.weareoca.com> (OCA) has been shortlisted for a Prospects Postgraduate Award <https://www.postgraduateawards.co.uk/>, which recognise and reward excellence and innovation in postgraduate education.

More than 150 students, universities and businesses from across the UK entered the Awards across eight categories. OCA will compete against three other higher education institutions for the title of Best Teaching Team (Arts and Humanities).

The Awards, launched for the first time this year, they are the only annual event solely dedicated to celebrating best practice and the most exciting developments in UK postgraduate education.

The winners will be announced at a glittering awards ceremony on 19 November 2013 at the Radisson Blu Edwardian hotel in Manchester with a gala lunch and networking opportunities.

The Awards are run by Graduate Prospects, the UK's leading postgraduate education publisher, which also operates [prospects.ac.uk](http://prospects.ac.uk) and the official postgraduate course database.'

Mike Hill, chief executive of Graduate Prospects said: 'It's fantastic to see such a positive response to our first awards in the postgraduate arena. The standard of entries was high across the board, reflecting the calibre of postgraduate education in the UK. I wish OCA the best of luck.'

Gareth Dent, chief executive of OCA, said: 'As a higher education charity delivering through online learning, we are delighted to have been shortlisted alongside three more established higher education institutions for a Prospects Postgraduate Award. The recognition of excellence in teaching a cohort of students based in the UK and North America is a tremendous boost for the tutors teaching on the programme.'

The judges include representatives from Universities UK, AGCAS, NUS, UK Council for International Student Affairs, Higher Education Academy, Association of Graduate Recruiters, British Council, Higher Education Data and Information Improvement Programme, Million+, Thirtythree, Higher Education Academy and the UK Council for Graduate Education.

For more information or tickets for the awards ceremony visit [www.postgraduateawards.co.uk](http://www.postgraduateawards.co.uk). You can follow The Prospects Postgraduate Awards @postgradawards

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