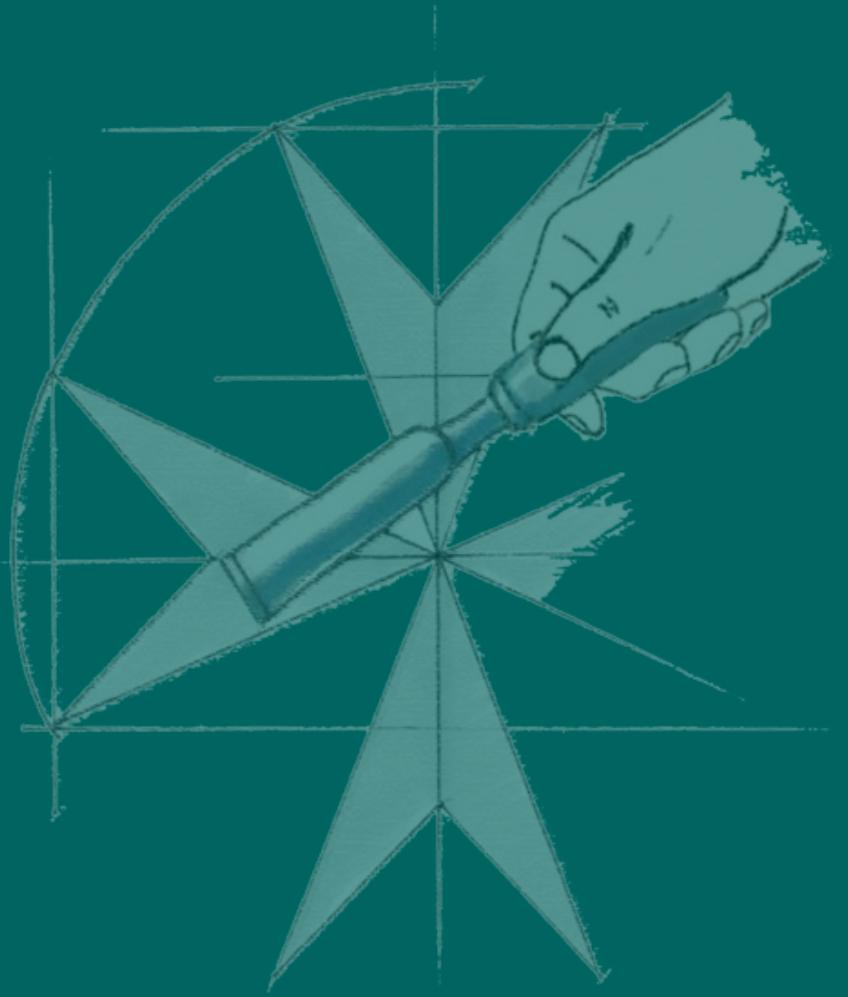




# Premju Ĝieħ l-Artigjanat Malti 2018



# Foreword

The Commerce Department, in collaboration with the Ministry for the Economy, Investment and Small Businesses, organised the 9th edition of the *Premju ġieħ l-Artigjanat Malti*.

The participants in Category 1 represented a kaleidoscope of artisanal work in various media including precious metals, ceramics, stone, textiles, glass, paintings and wood amongst others, all of which have been artistically created by a versatile number of gifted artisans.

*Premju ġieħ l-Artigjanat Malti* consists of 4 different categories:

Category 1 – Crafts Products

Category 2 – Crafts Initiatives

Category 3 – Award for Inclusiveness and Integration through Crafts

Category 4 – Recognition for Commitment to Crafts

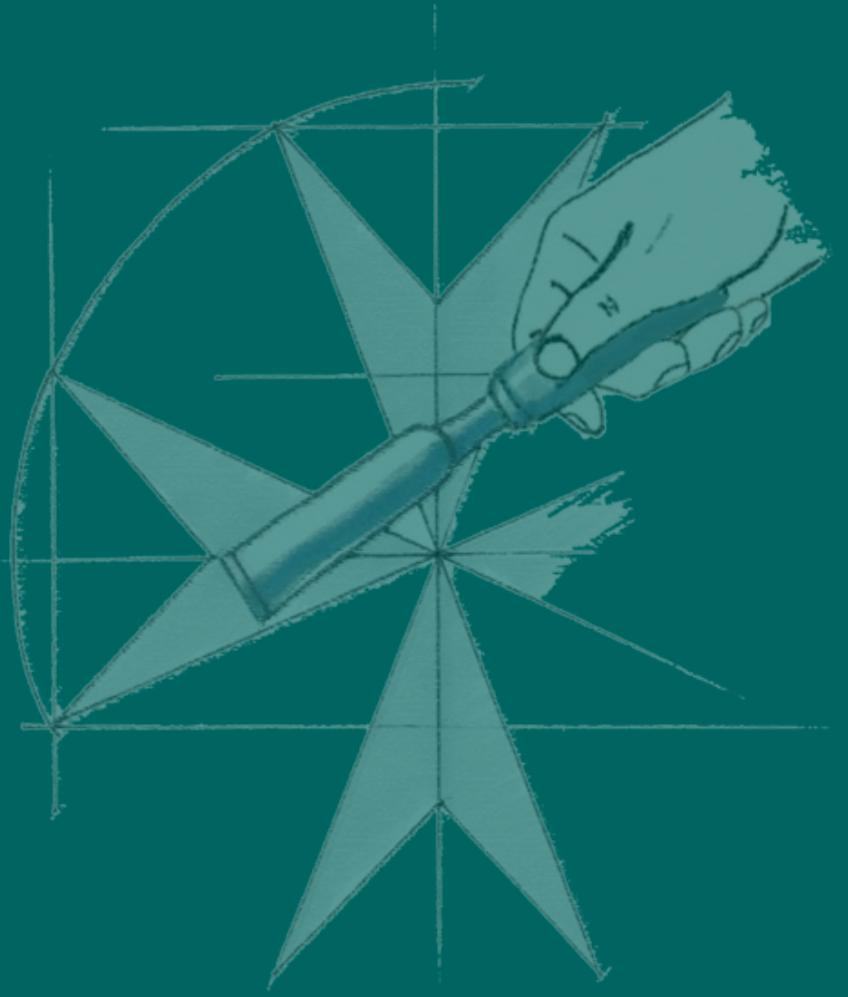
In recent years, the interest in handcrafted objects and authenticity has once again intensified. Through its daily activities and initiatives, the Commerce Department is constantly helping to renew the interest of people in appreciating even more the beauty and the value of artisanal work. The Department's goal is to build a strong and sustainable craft environment.

Category 1 of this well established competition was open to crafts products which were judged according to their level of innovation and creativity.

All entries in Category 1, independent of whether they were winners or not, were exhibited for almost a month at the Ministry for the Economy, Investment and Small Businesses in Valletta.

The Department would like to thank the Ministry for the Economy, Investment and Small Businesses as well as Heritage Malta for their help in the organisation of the exhibition. Their generous collaboration has once again made the realisation of the Department's plans possible.

The Commerce Department also wishes to extend its warm and heartfelt thanks to the large number of artisans who repeatedly have participated in this prestigious competition.



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This award recognised and awarded those crafts persons who, throughout the years, remained consistent and loyal towards their craftsmanship skills and for their commitment towards prestigious and worthy work produced throughout the years.



# A

Most Innovative Product  
Textiles

C A T E G O R Y



**Il-Presepju tax-Xugamani**  
*Textile Works*  
**Marthese Zahra**

**Gothic Night**  
*Beaded Embroidery and Beaded Crochet*  
**Julija Andrejeva**





## Pagun

*Monastery Work, Ganutell and Beading*

Ruth Attard

## L-Irrakmar tal-Qalb Bla Tebgħha ta' Marija

*Embroidery and Beading*

Agnese Borg





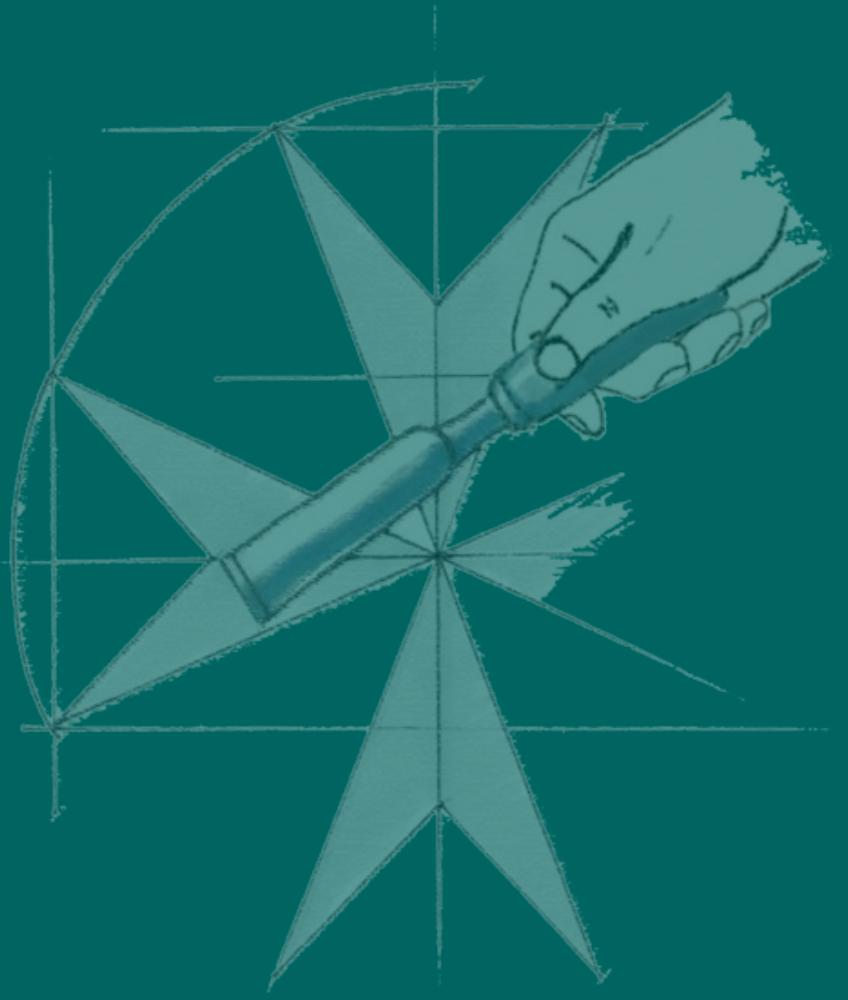
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*Woven Beading*  
**Deborah Lia**



**It-Trejqa**  
*Woven Beading*  
**Elmera Lia**



**Pupa f'Inkwatru**  
*Woven Beading*  
Mary C. Abela



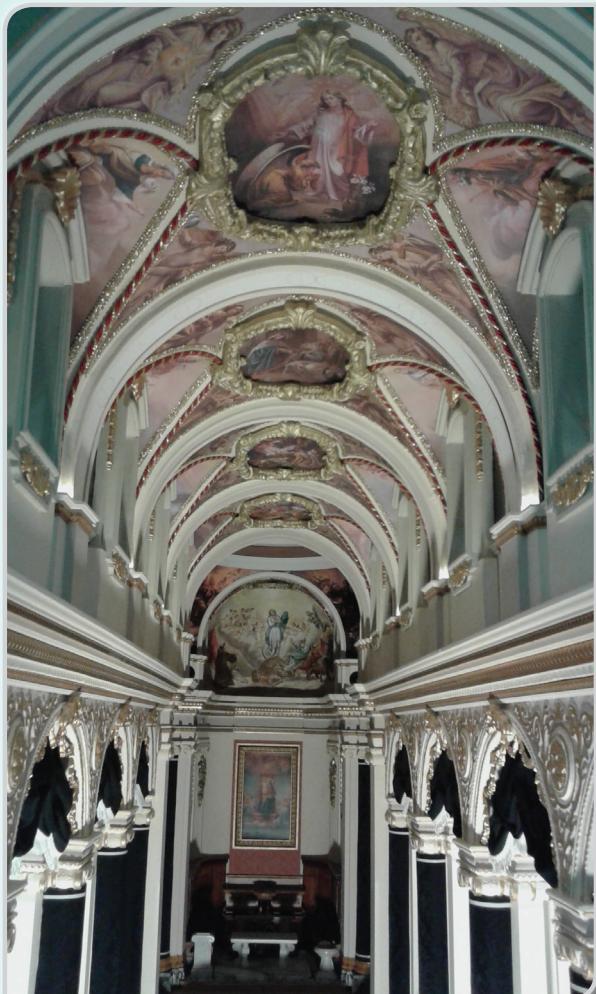


**B**

Most Innovative Product  
Modelling



C A T E G O R Y



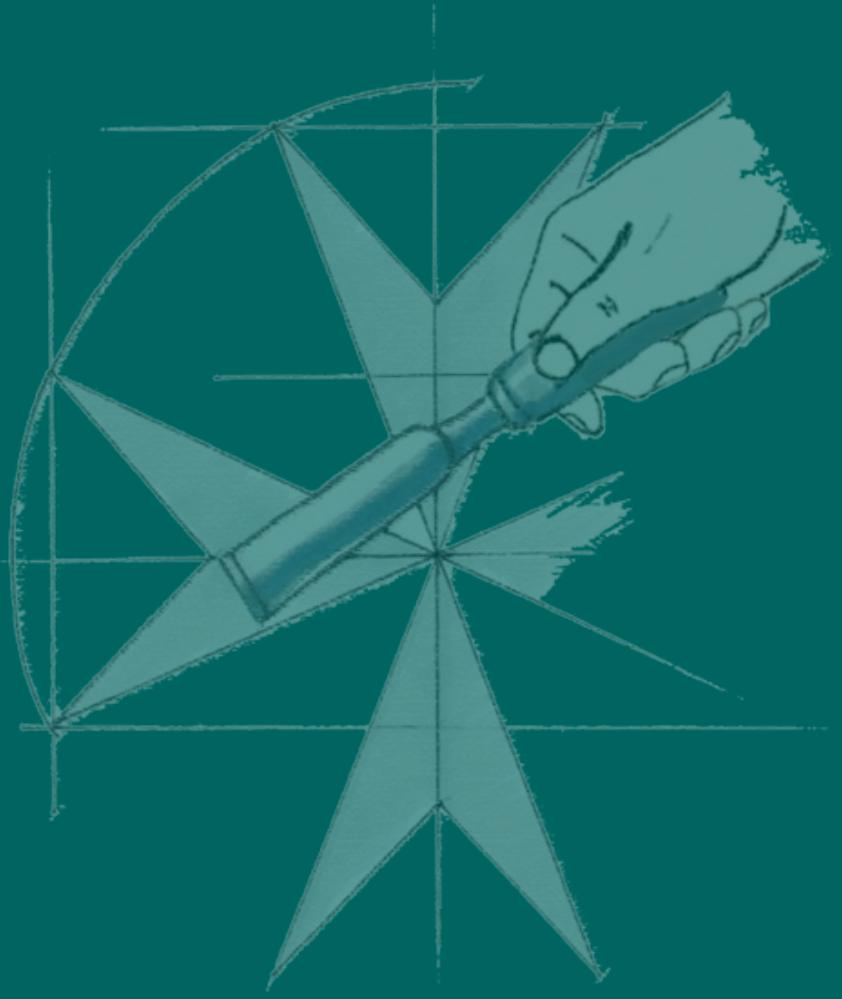
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*Modelling using Various Materials*  
**Stephen Buhagiar**



**Virginia Pilot Boat Model**  
*Wood Works*  
**Joseph Spiteri**

**Memorji tal-Tfulija**  
*Textile Works*  
**Josephine Fenech**







C

Most Innovative Product  
Glass Works  
& Ceramics



C A T E G O R Y



**Hotel Façade Murals**  
in hand painted tiles on Palm Jumeirah  
*Ceramics*  
**Brian Grima**

**Xemx Wisq Sabiħa**  
*Ceramics and Wood Works*  
**Dolores Lungaro-Mifsud**

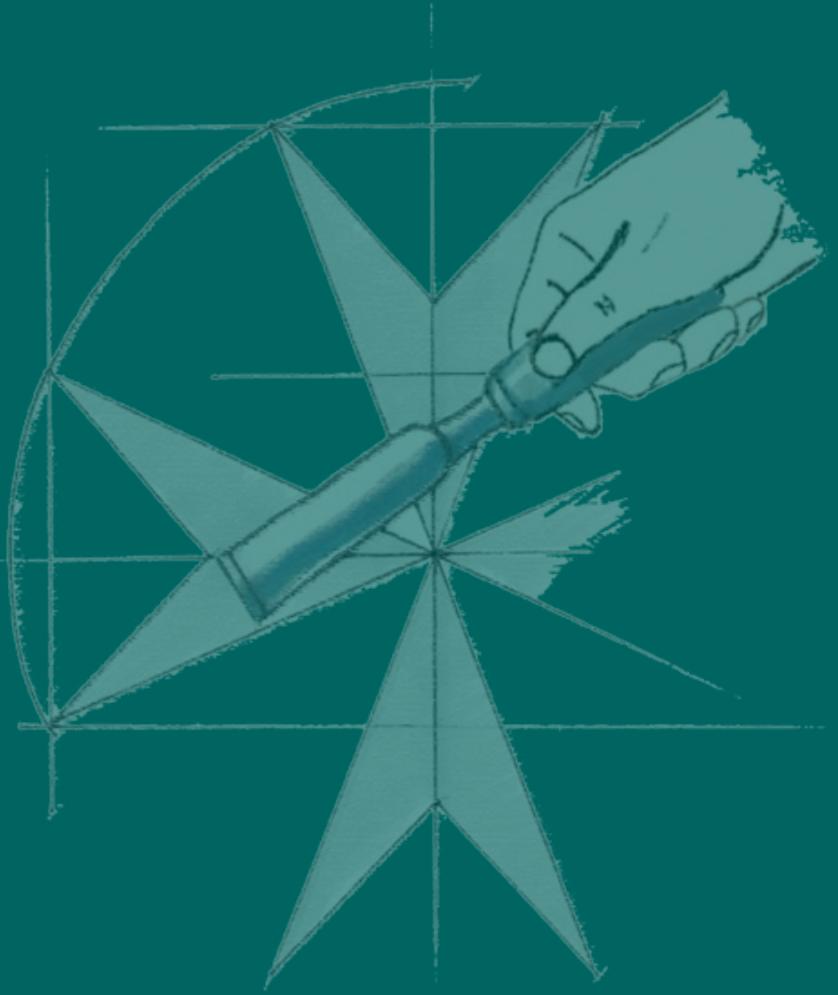




**Sea Shell Remains**  
Ceramics & Glass Works  
Robbie Mazzaro

**The Honey Plate for Taro at the Villa**  
Ceramics  
Sue Mifsud







D

Most Innovative Product  
Precious Metal  
& Jewellery



C A T E G O R Y



### Faith, Hope & Charity

*Silver Filigree*

Nicholas Magro

### Lady in Black

*Silver Filigree*

Mark Borg





**Bokkla**  
*Silver Works*  
**Christian Muscat**

**Bindweed Collar**  
*Silver Works*  
**Rachel Robinson**





**Kavallier tal-Fidda**

*Silver Filigree*

Dominic Galea

**Gabarre tal-Fidda**

*Silver Filigree*

Christian Galea





**Iljun tal-Fidda**

*Silver Filigree*

Alan Galea

**Maskla tal-Fidda**

*Silver Filigree*

Matthew Galea





**Il-Karettun Malti**  
*Silver Works*  
**Kevin Ellul**

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*Silver Filigree*  
**Anthony Bonnici**

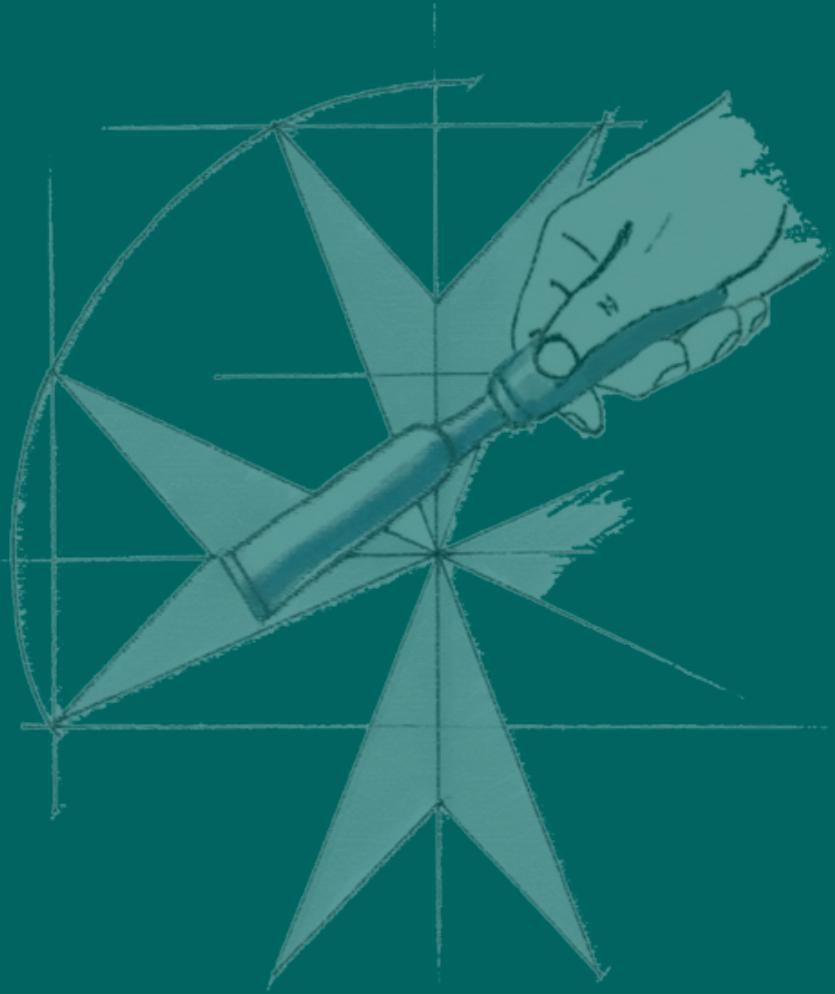


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*Silver Filigree*  
**Stefania Calafato**



**Il-Karozza Volkswagen Beetle  
tal-Filugranu**  
*Silver Filigree*  
**Matthew Borg**







Most Innovative Product  
Painting & Sculpting

C A T E G O R Y



## My Malta Collection

*Paintings*

Clive Gerada

## Maltese Stone Clock

*Stone Works and Painting*

Etienne Grech





**Nomads**  
Metal and Stone Works  
**Jackie Roberts**

**Restoration of**  
**Mid-18th Century Balcony**  
Stone Works  
**Joseph Micallef**





**Il-Mara tar-Rota**  
*Plaster Works and Engraving*  
**John Pace**

**Lights on Valletta**  
*Sculpting (Rubber) and Gilding*  
**Manuel Attard**





## Most Innovative Product Non-Precious Materials

C A T E G O R Y



**Inbid tar-Rummien**  
*Production of Alcoholic Drinks*  
**Mark Camilleri**

**Enamelled Copper Sea Shell Necklace**  
*Metal Works (Copper)*  
**Virag Andersson**



**Il-Monument**  
*Modelling in Egg Shells*  
Candice Fava



**Allegria!!**  
*Glass Painting with Foil*  
Herbert  
Guillaumier





**4 Plant Containers in  
Wood & Plaster**  
*Modelling using Various Materials*  
**Michael Angelo Muscat**

**Stag Beetle Blades**  
*Metal Works*  
**Paolo Giordanella**



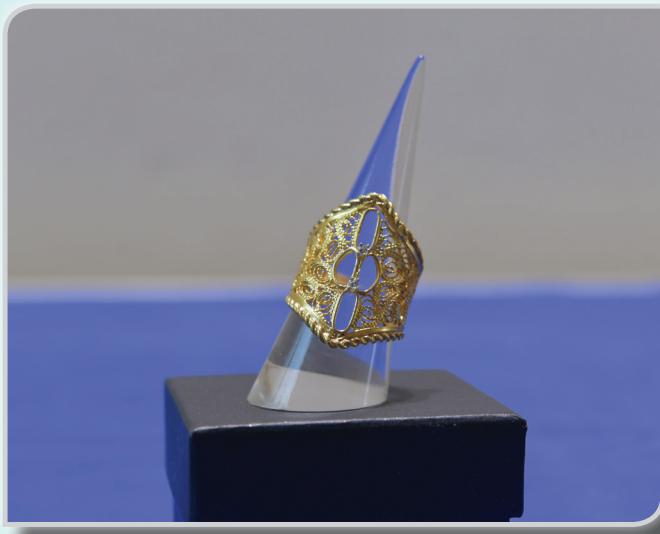


# G

Most Innovative Product  
by a Group of  
Craftspersons



C A T E G O R Y



### **Gold Filigree Ring with Diamonds**

*Gold Filigree*

Vilhelmina Bodnar

Kevin Attard

Josephine Cachia

Sean Decelis

Gaetano Saliba

### **Beadland**

*Beading*

Jacqueline Fava

Marthese Cossai

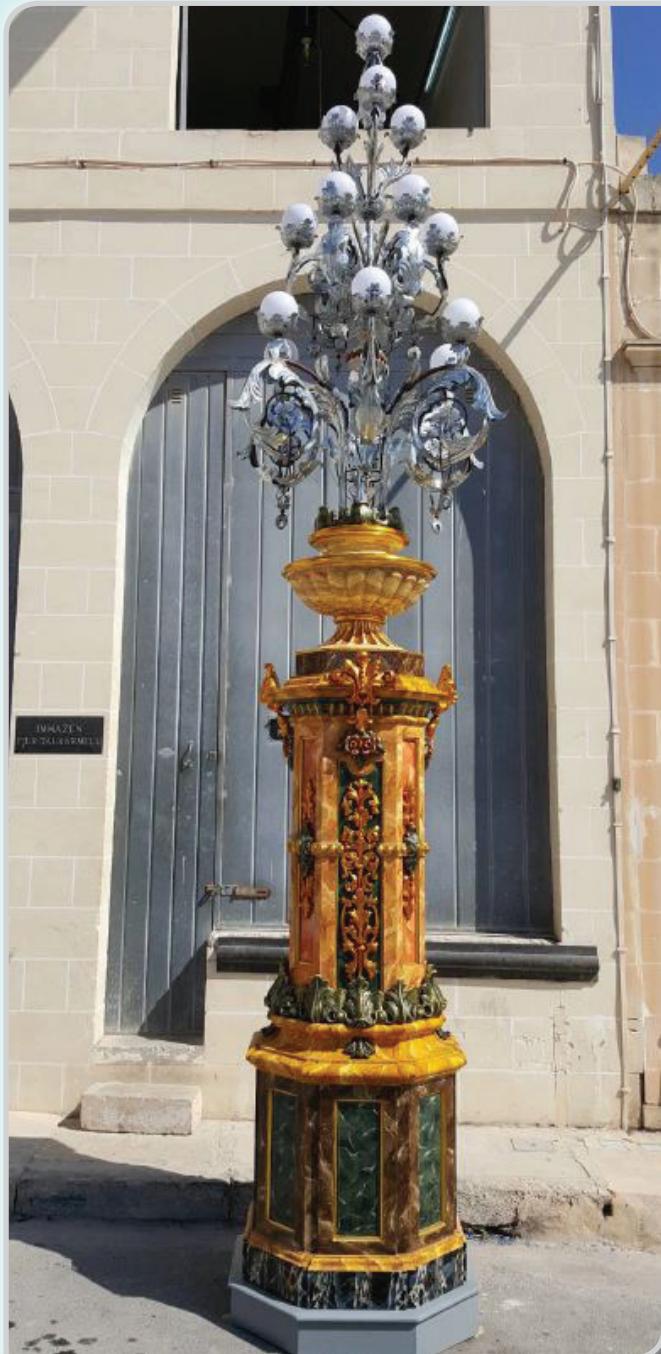
Josephine Salerno

Sonia Farrugia

Janet Clews

and others



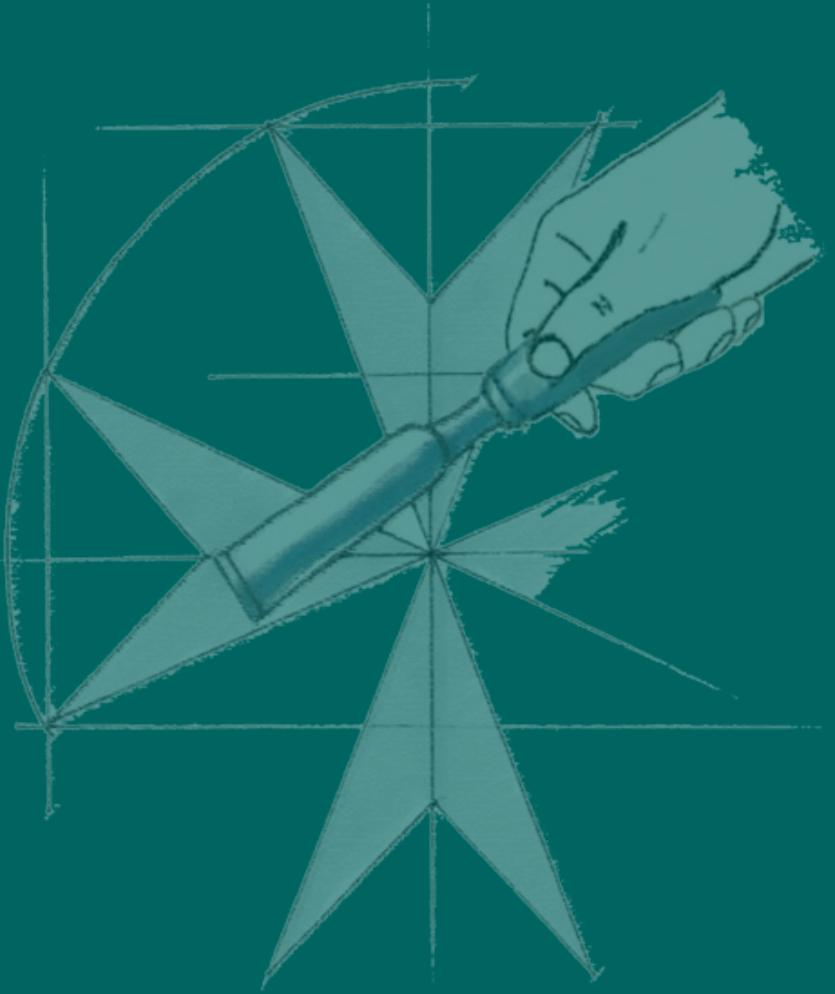


### Pilandra u Brazz (sett ta' 11)

*Modelling using Various Materials*

Għaqda Karmelitana

Banda Queen Victoria - Żurrieq



# Crafts Initiatives

C A T E G O R Y

## **Subcategory A: Encouraging the Teaching of Crafts by Local Councils**



Kalkara Local Council

Lace, Boat Building and Crib Making



Swieqi Local Council

Lace



Hal Qormi Local Council

Gilding



Għajnsielem Local Council

Mosaic, Patchwork and Ganutell



Nadur Local Council

Wirja Agrarja u tal-Artiġjanat



Żejtun Local Council

Maltese Cribs, Bobbin Lace, Beading,  
Parchment, Tapestry, Knit-in-lace,  
Arkett, Filigree, Towel Crafts, Dancing,  
Culture Outings and Drama.

## **Subcategory B: Sale of Maltese Crafts by Businesses**

My Melts

Anastasia Marie Abela

Jewel Box-The Filigree Shop

Warren Giordano

## **Subcategory C: Crafts Initiatives by Individuals or Organisations**

The Nagħla Pendant

Nadège Renée Cassar

The Art of Stained Glass

Carmel Azzopardi

Ričiklaġġ b'Impenn

Herbert Guillaumier

The Biggest Crochet Blanket for Charity

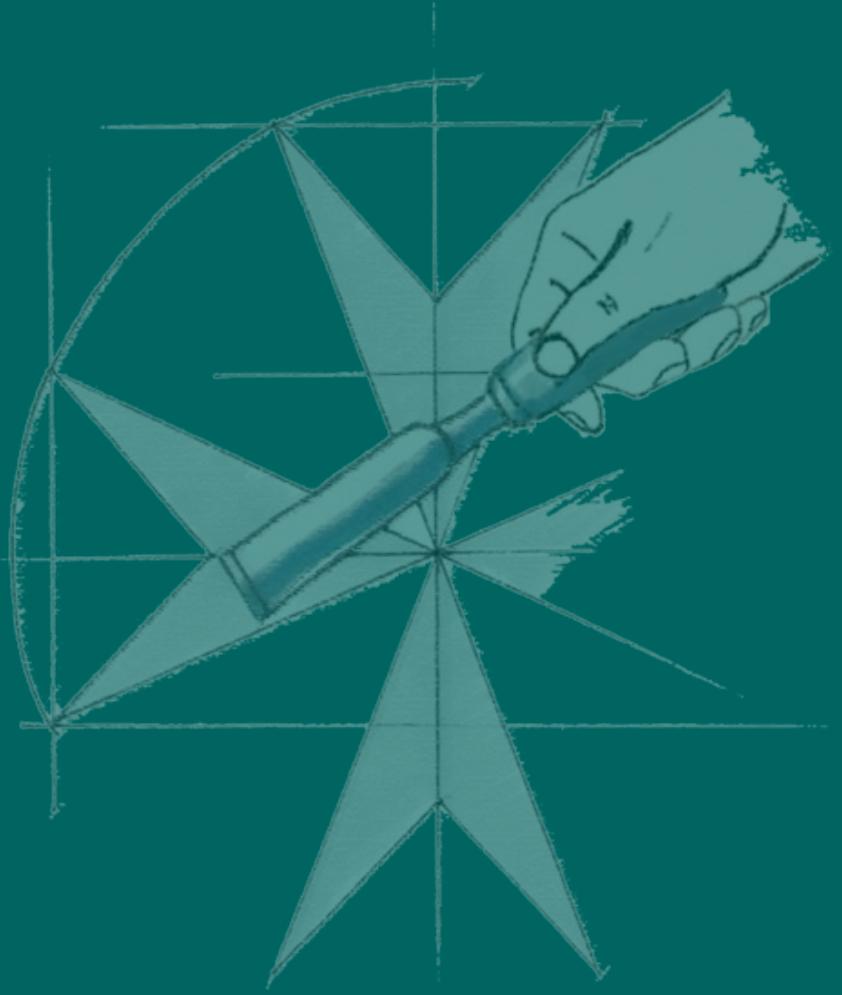
Madlene Muscat, Carmen Ellul,  
Monica Bonnici, Lilian Cassar  
& M'Louise Bajada

Minn idi għal idejk

Deborah Lia

Martin Spiteri Gilding and Restoration

Martin Spiteri



# Award for Inclusiveness & Integration through Crafts

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C A T E G O R Y



Inspire

Inspire Mosaic Project



Maria Regina College,  
Learning Support Centre  
Naxxar

The Art of Lace Making

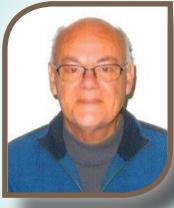


Mental Health Services  
Mount Carmel Hospital

Holy Week

# Recognition for Commitment to Crafts

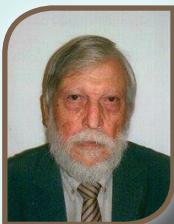
C A T E G O R Y



Herbert Guillaumier Verre Eglomisé



Kevin Attard Precious Metal Work - Silver Filigree



John Longin Cassar Artistic Work in Gold and Silver



Mary C. Abela Sewing and Beading