

## 18 YEAR OLD FROM SALOP WINS TRENCHARD COX SCHOLARSHIP 2010 WORTH £2,750!

*Art History Abroad offers students every year the opportunity to win a prize for 2 short essays: on a work of art they adore and one they loathe.*

Each year, Art History Abroad runs and funds the Trenchard Cox Scholarship (in memory of Sir Trenchard Cox, first President of NADFAS) in association with NADFAS. Entry is limited to 18 year olds and under. The competition is judged on two 400 word essays. It is particularly exciting that, for the second year running, the winning student has come from a State school.



This year's winner, Freya Martin (pictured), of Priorslee near Telford, wrote in praise of Marc Quinn's sculpture of 'Alison Lapper Pregnant', welcoming the fact that it was in the great classical tradition of Greek and Roman statuary where nakedness was Beauty. Though '*originally shocking,*' she found it, '*a modern tribute to femininity, motherhood and disability...strong, formidable and full of hope*'... She reserves her loathing for Louise Bourgeois' huge spider sculpture 'Maman' outside Tate Modern. '*Unlike the Alison Lapper sculpture where my original emotion was of shock and aversion, where I contemplated it and realized how positively powerful it was...I tried to do the same thing with 'Maman' but failed. Unfortunately I could not see past the monstrosity that it is.*'

Freya is planning to go into the business - and art - of stage management next year.

Art History Abroad specializes in tours for students of all ages but especially Gap Yearites, taking them on mini Grand Tours of the great art cities of Italy. The prize money is used to off-set the price of a full 2-week Summer Course - Freya's choice is Florence, Venice and Rome.

Local restaurants, charming hotels, tutors who are young, fun and clever, and fellow-students who become lasting friends...and some of the greatest art and most beautiful places in the world. Art History Abroad's aim is 'to light a fire in our students for life'. Hats off to Freya Martin for beating a stronger than ever field this year. Two runners-up also get £300 each.