

Tim Shaw's Man on Fire sculpture has won prestigious award

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A sculpture inspired by a soldier engulfed in flames has won a prestigious award.

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Tim Shaw's *Man on Fire* was announced as the winner of the 2024 PSSA Marsh Award for Excellence in Public Sculpture on Thursday, October 17.

The award ceremony took place at the Art Workers' Guild in London.

The sculpture, completed in 2023, is located outside the Imperial War Museum North in Greater Manchester.

It was recognised for its "compelling narrative and powerful form," standing out among a shortlist that included works by Yinka Shonibare, David Blandy and Larry Achiampong, Elpida Hadzi-Vasileva and Nick Hornby.

The PSSA Marsh Award, established in 2006, aims to raise awareness and educate the public about the importance of public sculpture, connecting contemporary life with history.

It has previously been awarded to sculptors such as Antony Gormley, James Turrell, Veronica Ryan and last year's winner Kenny Hunter.