

*'Great news that Tristram Hunt is becoming the new Director of the V&A and we would like to wish him all the best in his new role. As our patron Tristram has been immensely supportive of the British Ceramics Biennial during his time as MP for Stoke-on-Trent Central; we would like to thank him for all that he has done to help raise the profile of the festival and to support the thriving ceramics activity in the city, and we feel sure that he'll continue to be an active advocate for us & for Stoke-on-Trent.'*