



Suzuki Teaching Trust

European Suzuki Teaching Development Trust

Registered Charity Number: 1092897

Trustees' Annual Report & Accounts for the financial year 1 January 2021 - 31 December 2021

(Accompanying the Receipts and Payments Accounts)

Legal and Administrative Information

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Governing document: Trust deed dated 15th March 2002

Bankers: CAF Bank, Kings Hill, West Malling, Kent ME19 4TA

Trustees and Governance:

Names of Trustees: Dr Haukur F. Hannesson, Chairman
Mr Juan Drown
Mrs Christine Magasiner
Mr Martin Rüttimann
Miss Clare Santer

Trustee selection method: A new Trustee may be appointed by resolution of the existing Trustees. The number of Trustees shall be not less than three and not more than five.

About the Trust

The Trust was originally set up in 1994 by individual members of the European Suzuki Association (ESA) in response to appeals from musicians and teachers in Eastern European countries, who wanted to become Suzuki music teachers. In July 2002 the Trustees realised their long-term ambition to obtain registration as a charity, having updated the Trust Deed.

The Objects of the Trust are 'to advance the education of the public, particularly children and young people, about all aspects of the teaching methods, philosophy and practices of Dr Shinichi Suzuki in Europe and elsewhere.'

Teacher Training

The Trust's main focus is on teacher training to provide highly qualified professional Suzuki teachers. The Trust helps to establish new teacher training programmes in countries where these do not exist at present and continues to support existing development programmes, in Europe, The Middle East and Africa.

Teacher training courses follow the guidelines of the European Suzuki Association Limited (ESA), which was established in 1980 to oversee Suzuki teacher training and which as at 31 December 2021 had 25 national Suzuki association members and one new associate member (Ukraine)

The Trust works closely with the ESA and its teacher trainers and relies on the expertise and generosity of experienced Suzuki teacher trainers from national Suzuki associations across Europe and elsewhere.

Teacher Training Projects in 2021

Ukraine

Ukrainian Suzuki Teaching courses have been the main focus for the Trust in the past two years. Until this year, when the Ukrainian National Suzuki Association was established and became an ESA member, courses had been run by the Polish Suzuki Association (CES). The Trustees are grateful to Bartosz Henrych, chair of CES, and his association for their support, which included additional funding. Thanks to this, UNSA now have 22 registered violin teachers, all trained by Anna Podhajska and a new level 2 & 3 course is underway with exams planned in May 2022.

Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic most teacher training projects went online, but it was pleasing to see that **Anna Podhajska** started to hold and plan some live face to face sessions for her Ukrainian Violin Teacher Training course from autumn 2021.

Marzena Jasinska continued her training course for Ukrainian piano teachers online and concluded with assessments, finished and registered by November 2021, also funded by the Trust. There are now 8 piano

teachers in Ukraine and a new course is planned for 2022-23.

South Africa

The trust agreed a grant for the first piano teachers in South Africa to attend an online course with Stephen Power. One new teacher has now passed her level 1 exam and is working to interest other teachers in Suzuki Piano. South Africa has a large community of violin and cello teachers and its own violin teacher trainer, Lee Marais who worked with Christophe Bossuat and Karen Kimmett, who trained many teachers with support from the Trust and still support the Suzuki community in both South Africa and Zimbabwe.

Project Expenditure in 2021

Grants disbursed during 2021	GBP
Grant to Ukraine Piano Course (paid to Marzena Jasinska for independent course)	4,257
Grant to support Ukraine Violin Teacher Training in Poland	4,100
Grant to support piano Teacher training for South Africa (Stephen Power's course)	1,000
Total grants paid during 2021	9,407

Note: The cost of bank charges for international transfers totalled GBP 50 for 2021.

The Trust has a budget for grants of GBP 16,300 for 2022.

Donations and income in 2021

A generous legacy of £60,000 and major fundraising by ESA members have dominated the exceptional donations income during 2021.

Donations to the Trust from organisations and individuals in 2021	GBP
Legacy from Jean Middlemiss	60,000
ESA <i>Give a Child a Teacher Campaign</i> : '100 Days Practice Challenge'	5,202
Additional GaCaT donations Koen Rens and SVN	861
Credit Card donations re "Suzuki Sundays" (organised by ESA)	590
ESA: Donation from Account surplus 2020	5,000
Haukur F Hannesson for website costs	37
Regular monthly donations (anon) @£40	480
	72,170

Notes:

(1) Some of the donations above attracted bank charges and commission costs - the total amount was GBP 47

(2) The Trust received additional Gift Aid (tax credit) income of GBP 76 (all applied to credit card donations)

Website

The Trust maintains a website, recreated and rebranded in 2019. Reports are published regularly in the ESA Newsletter, and further publicity material will be produced as required.

Policies

Reserves policy:	<p>Whilst administration costs are kept to an absolute minimum, the Trust has no guaranteed or regular income. While aiming to improve the overall financial position, the Trustees are therefore aware of the need to ensure</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) that sufficient reserves are available to cover any commitment to current major projects and2) that the Trust has sufficient reserves to raise further funds and respond to applications for smaller grants for a period of at least a year.
Grant-making policy:	<p>Policy is decided by the Trustees in accordance with the Trust Deed. Current policy is to give priority to applications from well-structured Suzuki teacher training programmes to be held in the country where teachers are needed, or in neighbouring countries. Teacher Training courses must be directed by ESA teacher trainers. All applications must be accompanied by a budget and supported by an ESA teacher trainer or national Suzuki Association.</p>
Investment selection policy:	<p>All funds are currently held on high interest accounts with CAF Bank. The Trustees deem that the Trust's funds at present are insufficient for long-term investment. If the situation changes and further funds are raised, the Trustees will reconsider its policy, while still being bound by the terms of the Trust Deed and current legislation.</p>
Accounting policies:	<p>We present our accounts in a receipts and payments format according to Charity Commission requirements for Charitable Trusts. Account information is reviewed</p>

regularly by the Trustees and formally approved in Trustees' meetings.

Declaration

I declare in my capacity as Charity Trustee, that

- the Trustees have approved the above report; and
- have authorised me to sign it on their behalf

Signature

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Full name

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Position

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Date of approval

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EUROPEAN SUZUKI TEACHING DEVELOPMENT TRUST

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Accounts for the year ended on 31 December 2021

Receipts and Payments Accounts

Receipts	2021 GBP	2020 GBP
Donations from individuals and companies	72,170.24	9,720.36
Bank interest	3.07	12.09
Gift-Aid: tax refund	76.25	40.00
Total receipts	72,249.56	9,772.45

Payments

1. Charitable Payments

Grant to South African project	1,000.00	0.00
Grants to Ukraine piano course	4,256.70	0.00
Grants to Ukraine violin course	4,100.00	0.00
Bank charges (for international transfers of grants)	50.00	0.00
Bank charges (for receipts)	47.04	31.51
Total Charitable Payments	9,453.74	31.51

2. Management & Administration Payments

Website and logo	36.69	0.00
Bank charges (monthly fixed costs for Caf Bank bank accounts)	96.00	60.00
Total payments	132.69	60.00

Deficit(-)/Surplus(+): net of receipts (Payments)	62,663.13	9,680.94
Cash funds last year end (b/f balance)	28,823.23	19,142.29
Cash funds this year end (c/f balance)	91,486.36	28,823.23

Statement of Assets and Liabilities at Year End

Cash funds	2021 GBP	2020 GBP
Caf Bank current account	6,406.80	13,746.74
Caf Bank Gold Account (Deposit)	85,079.56	15,076.49
Total cash funds	91,486.36	28,823.23

Liabilities

Payments due 31 December 2021	0.00	0.00
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Notes: All the Trust's funds are now unrestricted.

The Trustees have a budget of up to £ 16,300 for grants in 2022.

Signed by two trustees on behalf of all the trustees:

	Dr Haukur F. Hannesson
	Christine Magasiner

Date of approval:

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Report to the Trustees of the European Suzuki Teaching Development Trust

I report on the Accounts of the Society for the year ended 31 December 2021

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the 1993 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to

- examine the accounts under section 43 of the 1993 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 43(7)(b) of the 1993 Act;
- and state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the 1993 Act and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 1993 Act

have not been met or

- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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