

SHOWCASE PERFORMING ARTS
Charity Registration Number: 1125956
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT & ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

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Trustee's Annual Report for the period 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025

Charity Registration Number: 1125956

Type of organisation: Charitable Unincorporated Association

Type of governing document: Constitution

Election of trustees: Trustees are elected by members at the Annual General Meeting (AGM). The management is vested in an Executive Committee (EC) that must consist of at least three principal officers: i) Chair ii) Treasurer iii) Secretary. A maximum of 15 other members are elected to sit on the General Committee (GC) to support the EC.

Introduction to Showcase Performing Arts

Showcase provides an opportunity to people of all ages within the local community to develop their skills and experience in the Performing Arts. We have been an established non-profit association since 1997 and Registered Charity since 2008. We aim to provide a safe and fun environment for members and the local community to experience the joys of theatre. Consisting of 2 distinct groups, Showcase and Showcase Juniors, we produce a range productions from small community-based plays to large scale Musical Productions.

Aims

Showcase Performing Arts aims to support people of all ages in South Wales by offering educational, and recreational activities that help them develop essential skills for independent and responsible participation in society. The organisation also seeks to advance public education in the performing arts and provide leisure activities that enhance social welfare, particularly for those facing challenges due to age, disability, poverty, or other social and economic circumstances, ultimately striving to improve their quality of life.

Review of the year

2024 began with our annual musical in the Coliseum Theatre Aberdare with our production of 'Made in Dagenham'. The show was very well received by audiences and members. We also saw a ticket sales increase from the previous year's musical ('Evita') from 485 to 647, a great result.

In the Summer we returned to our love of Shakespeare, after having a break from it in the previous year, with our production of 'Much Ado About Nothing'. This was performed outdoors in the Dare Valley Country Park (DVCP). Audiences enjoyed the atmospheric setting along with the immersive 'in-the-round' staging. This production championed our younger members with many of them taking leading roles.

In the Autumn, our Senior group treated audiences to a dramatic production of William Nicholson's 'Shadowlands' based on the life of C.S Lewis. We performed this in DVCP's Café Cwtch. Audiences found the production extremely powerful and moving, as it showcased our seniors' talented acting abilities.

And finally, we closed out 2024/25 with our Junior Groups production of 'Annie Jr'. Due to recent funding from Pen Y Cymoedd Wind Farm, we were able to stage this production in Cwmaman Arts Centre. This gave our Juniors a fantastic opportunity to perform in a genuine theatre space, having previously only performed in community settings. The Juniors relished this opportunity and parents and family got to experience seeing their children perform on a professional stage.

With regard to the Charity Commission guidance, the Trustees are satisfied that the public benefit requirement was consistently met in 2024/25.

The Annual Report of the Treasurer

The report covers the financial period ending 31st March 2024. Over the course of the year, the organisation ran a surplus of £3,002.18 leaving us with a closing balance of £10,413.40.

The trustees are pleased to see us ending another year with a surplus, showing our aims for continued sustainability are being met. Receipt of our first instalment of the Pen Y Cymoedd Grant has enabled us to invest in more marketing materials, which has directly correlated with a significant increase in ticket revenue. It has also allowed us to invest further in our Juniors by giving them the opportunity to perform in Cwmaman Arts Centre.

As an organisation, we are committed to continuing to improve our ticket sales and revenue as well as identifying further opportunities to reduce expenditure to boost our sustainability. We will also continue to find other income streams through grants and fundraising to allow us to continue putting on high calibre performances and ensuring Showcase remains as accessible as possible.

Gareth Morgan-Rees

Trustee and Chairperson

Showcase Performing Arts

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Showcase Performing Arts (Charity Registration No. 1125956)

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024 which are set out on page 5.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: Andrew Chivers

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'A. Chivers', written in a cursive style.

Date: 22/01/2026

SHOWCASE PERFORMING ARTS (Registered Charity No. 1125956)
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

RECEIPTS	2024-25	2023-24
	£	£
Grant & Donations	10,757.23	9,682.45
Programme Adverts	60.00	100.00
Raffle & Programme Sales	1,403.66	-
Ticket Sales	14,927.61	10,664.40
Other Income	14.00	1,044.00
TOTAL:	27,162.50	21,490.85
PAYMENTS	£	£
Admin & Marketing Costs	1,055.34	471.26
Insurance	230.63	230.63
Storage Costs	500.00	500.00
Costumes, Sets & Props	5,215.93	3,401.67
Musician Hire	3,000.00	3,500.00
Performance Rights	4,133.53	240.77
Room Hire	1,961.75	989.25
Venue Hire	7,170.50	6,500.00
Noda	96.00	-
Other Show Expenses	796.64	1,125.17
TOTAL:	24,160.32	16,958.75
Surplus (Deficit) for year	3,002.18	4,532.10
Opening Balance b/fwd	7,411.22	2,879.12
Net Surplus (Deficit) for year	3,002.18	4,532.10
Balance c/fwd	10,413.40	7,411.22

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

	2024-25	2023-24
Bank & Cash Balances		
HSBC Business Account	10,413.40	7,411.22
Total	10,413.40	7,411.22

Tangible Assets retained for charity's own use, estimated replacement costs as follows:

	£
Costumes & Props	1,000.00
Total	1,000.00

Approved: Gareth Morgan-Rees (Trustee and Chairperson)

Date: 18/01/26