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MGCFUTURES LTD
REGISTERED CHARITY NO. 1153534
TRUSTEES' REPORT
AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Charity Status	Registered in England and Wales
Website Address	mgcfutures.com
Charity Number	1153534
Registered Office	Fourth Floor Wyndham's Theatre Charing Cross Road London WC2H 0DA
Registered Number	08447600
Trustees and Directors	Anthony Pins Jeremiah Healy Kate Morley Sir Ralph Waller KBE Paule Constable (appointed 26 March 2020) Joan Major (appointed 3 March 2021)
Accountants	Nyman Libson Paul Chartered Accountants Regina House 124 Finchley Road London NW3 5JS
Independent Examiner	Peta Parker FCA Lewis Golden LLP 40 Queen Anne Street London W1G 9EL

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TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

The Trustees (who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act) present their annual report together with the financial statements of MGCfutures Ltd (the company) for the year ended 31 August 2020.

The Trustees confirm that the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on pages 8 and 9 and with applicable United Kingdom accounting standards, current statutory requirements, the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charity's governing document.

Legal and administrative information, including the Trustees who served during the year are set out on page 1. Christopher Oram served as a Trustee during the year and resigned on 9 January 2020.

Objectives and Activities

a. Policies and objectives

The principal object of the company is to promote, maintain, improve and advance the education and appreciation of the Dramatic Arts for the benefit of the public, in particular but not exclusively, through the provision of participatory activities, training and access to the work of Michael Grandage and other leading arts providers.

MGCfutures' mission is to guide and support the theatre-makers and theatre-goers of the future. This is achieved through:

- Running a bursary scheme to support and provide mentorship for emerging talent across all areas of the theatre industry
- Providing practical 'behind-the-scenes' advice and guidance for young people who are seeking a career in the Theatre
- Enabling access to theatre performances for young people who otherwise would not be able to afford it, as well as providing education resources for schools

The Trustees confirm that they referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit by reviewing the charity's aims and objectives and in planning its activities for the year.

Achievements and Performance

a. Going concern

The Covid-19 pandemic continues to have a significant impact on the theatre industry as the country is still currently subject to restrictions, including social distancing and all theatres and other public venues remain closed. Notwithstanding this, the charity has since the balance sheet date secured substantial donations which will enable it to be able to continue to support future talent after the Covid-19 restrictions are lifted, and the next round of bursaries, expected to total c. £120,000, is under way.

b. Review of activities

MGCfutures awarded bursaries to the value of £63,270 in the year ending 31 August 2020. These awards were payments in respect of the applications received in the previous financial year (July 2019).

Extensive plans were in preparation for a fifth anniversary bursary programme when the UK went into lockdown in March 2020 due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Future programmes were put on hold for six months and the Charity's sole member of staff was placed on furlough during this time. Returning to work in November, the Charity was successful in securing a substantial donation of £300,000 from the Theatre Community Fund. This enabled a new round of bursary awards to be announced in December 2020. The Fifth Anniversary Programme has been postponed until 2021/22.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

Financial Review

a. Reserves policy

The charity's free reserves are represented by donations received not yet distributed. The Trustees' reserves and funding policy is to try to ensure that funds are maintained at a level sufficient to cover the forecast overheads for the ensuing 6 months.

At the balance sheet date £74,135 (2019 - £150,725) was held in reserves. These funds are unrestricted.

Plans for the future periods

a. Future developments

The main plans for the future are to make grants to further the objectives of the charity.

Structure, governance and management

a. Constitution

The company is registered as a charitable company limited by guarantee and was set up by a Memorandum of Association on 15 March 2013.

The company is constituted under a Memorandum of Association dated 15 March 2013, as amended on 24 September 2015 and is a registered charity number 1153534.

b. Method of appointment or election of Trustees

The management of the company is the responsibility of the Trustees who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Articles of Association.

c. Organisational structure and decision making

The Trustees are actively responsible for the overall management and control of the charity.

The Board continued to oversee the strategic development of MGCfutures.

Christopher Oram stood down following six years' service in January 2020 and Sir Ralph Waller KBE, Director of the Farmington Institute in Oxford, joined in June 2019. Ms Paule Constable was appointed in March 2020 and Ms Joan Major in March 2021.

The Charity employed a part-time administrator to manage the bursary programme, seek fundraising opportunities and organise events.

d. Related party relationships

The charity has no related or connected charities.

e. Risk management

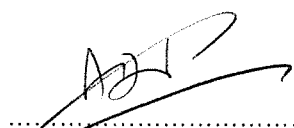
The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the company is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the company, and are satisfied that systems and procedures are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

In preparing this report, the Trustees have taken advantage of the small companies exemptions provided by section 415A of the Companies Act 2006.

This report was approved by the Trustees on 18 May 2021 and signed on their behalf by:


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Anthony Pins
Trustee (Chair)

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF MGCFUTURES LTD

I report to the Trustees (who are also directors for the purpose of company law) on my examination of the financial statements of MGCFutures Ltd ('the charitable company') for the year ended 31 August 2020 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities (including the income and expenditure account), the Balance Sheet and related notes.

This report is made solely to the charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in this report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's Trustees as a body, for my work, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Trustees of charitable company you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the financial statements of the charitable company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the charitable company's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 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 2011 Act.

An independent examination does not involve gathering all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently does not cover all the matters that an auditor considers in giving their opinion on the financial statements. The planning and conduct of an audit goes beyond the limited assurance that an independent examination can provide. Consequently, I express no opinion as to whether the financial statements present a 'true and fair' view and my report is limited to those specific matters set out in the independent examiner's statement.

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:

- accounting records were not kept in respect of the charitable company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the financial statements give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
- the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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 financial statements to be reached.



Peta Parker FCA
Lewis Golden LLP
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London W1G 9EL

Date: 18 May 2021.

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (including the income and expenditure account) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

	Notes	General unrestricted funds 2020	Total funds 2020	Total funds 2019
		£	£	£
Income and endowments from:				
Donations and legacies	2	21,392	21,392	71,539
Other income	2	-	-	112,622
Government grants	2	10,569	10,569	-
Total income		31,961	31,961	184,161
Expenditure on:				
Raising funds	3	-	-	35,163
Charitable activities	4	108,551	108,551	115,536
Total expenditure		108,551	108,551	150,699
Net (deficit) / surplus		(76,590)	(76,590)	33,462
Net movement in funds		(76,590)	(76,590)	33,462
Total funds at 1 September 2019		150,725	150,725	117,263
Total funds at 31 August 2020		74,135	74,135	150,725

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 AUGUST 2020


	Notes	2020 £	£	2019 £	£
Current assets					
Cash at bank and in hand		76,050		154,985	
Debtors	6	2,000		1,240	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	7	<u>(3,915)</u>		<u>(5,500)</u>	
Net current assets			74,135		150,725
Total net assets			<u>74,135</u>		<u>150,725</u>
Funds of the Charity					
Unrestricted funds			74,135		150,725
Total Charity funds			<u>74,135</u>		<u>150,725</u>

The Trustees consider that the company is entitled to exemptions from the requirement to have an audit under the provisions of sections 477 of the Companies Act 2006 ('the Act') and the members have not required the company to obtain an audit for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Act.

The Trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and for preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at 31 August 2020 and of its net resources expended for the year in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the company.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with provisions applicable to small companies within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 18 May 2021 and signed on their behalf by:


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Anthony Pins
Trustee (Chair)

The notes on pages 8 to 11 form part of these financial statements.

MGCfutures Ltd Charitable Company (registered company number 08447600 England & Wales, Charity number 1153534)

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

1 Accounting policies

1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The charity is a public benefit entity and the financial statements are prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Companies Act 2006 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

The charity has taken advantage of the exemption to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

1.2 Going concern

The Covid-19 pandemic continues to have a significant impact on the theatre industry as the country is still currently subject to restrictions, including social distancing and all theatres and other public venues remain closed. Notwithstanding this, the charity has since the balance sheet date secured substantial donations which will enable it to be able to continue to support future talent after the Covid-19 restrictions are lifted, and the next round of bursaries, expected to total £120,000, is under way.

1.3 Company Status

The company is a company limited by guarantee. The members of the company are the Trustees named on page 1. In the event of the company being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the company.

1.4 Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the company and which have not been designated for other purposes.

1.5 Income

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (including the income and expenditure account) when the company has entitlement to the funds, certainty of receipt and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Donated services or facilities, which comprise donated services, are included in income at a valuation which is an estimate of the financial cost borne by the donor where such a cost is quantifiable and measurable. No income is recognised where there is no financial cost borne by a third party.

Income tax is recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Other income comprises fundraising income from events and galas which promote awareness and generate funds to support the Charity's objectives.

Government grants are accounted for as income on a systematic basis over the period in which the Charity recognises the related costs for which the grant is intended to compensate. All government grants relate to funds received under the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme (CJRS).

1.6 Expenditure

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been included under expense categories that aggregate all costs for allocation to activities. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular activities they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of the resources.

Expenditure on charitable activities comprises all costs associated with the running of the charity, including those incurred in connection with administration and compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements.

Expenditure on raising funds comprises the costs and setup of events and galas by the Charity.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

1 Accounting policies (continued)

1.7 Creditors

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

1.8 Debtors

Short term debtors are measured at transaction price, less any impairment.

1.9 Financial instruments

The Charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments and are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

1.10 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash is represented by cash in hand, deposits held at call with financial institutions and other short-term liquid investments that mature in no more than three months from the date of acquisition and that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash with insignificant risk of change in value.

2 Income

	Unrestricted Funds 2020 £	Total Funds 2020 £	Total Funds 2019 £
Donations and legacies – Donations	21,392	21,392	71,539
Other income – Gala fundraiser	-	-	112,622
Government grants	10,569	10,569	-
	<u>31,961</u>	<u>31,961</u>	<u>184,161</u>

Government grants relate to funds received under the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme (CJRS) and have been used to cover the monthly employee costs. There are no unfulfilled conditions and other contingencies attaching to government grants that have been recognised in income.

3 Expenditure on raising funds

	Unrestricted Funds 2020 £	Total Funds 2020 £	Total Funds 2019 £
Gala costs	-	-	35,163

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

4 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds 2020 £	Total Funds 2020 £	Total Funds 2019 £
Governance costs			
Independent Examiner's remuneration	2,220	2,220	2,130
Accountancy fees	1,340	1,340	810
Insurance	698	698	695
Bank charges	521	521	434
	<u>4,779</u>	<u>4,779</u>	<u>4,069</u>
Charitable activities			
Overhead costs	1,921	1,921	3,841
Personnel costs	28,204	28,204	11,900
Website costs	377	377	762
Bursaries granted	63,270	63,270	59,832
Consultancy fees	10,000	10,000	35,132
	<u>103,772</u>	<u>103,772</u>	<u>111,467</u>
	<u>108,551</u>	<u>108,551</u>	<u>115,536</u>

Included within accountancy fees is £840 (2019 - £810) for services provided by the independent examiner for the preparation of these financial statements.

The average number of employees during the year was 1 (2019 - no employees).

Personnel costs includes pension costs of £535 (2019 - £nil).

5 Trustees' remuneration and Trustees' benefits

During the current and prior year, no Trustees received any remuneration, benefits in kind or had expenses reimbursed.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

6 Debtors

	2020 £	2019 £
Prepayments	-	1,240
Other debtors	2,000	-
	<u>2,000</u>	<u>1,240</u>

7 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2020 £	2019 £
Accruals and deferred income	3,000	5,500
Taxation and social security	915	-
	<u>3,915</u>	<u>5,500</u>

8 Related party transactions

During the year, the Michael Grandage Company Limited, a company under the control of a partner of a Trustee, gifted office accommodation and administrative services to the Charity with a value of £7,871 (2019 - £15,741).

Included within donations for the year were amounts totalling £1,000 (2019 - £nil) from a Trustee of the Charity. There were no conditions placed on this donation.