



| Trustees' Annual Report for the period |                   |    |      |    |                 |    |
|----------------------------------------|-------------------|----|------|----|-----------------|----|
| From                                   | Period start date |    |      | To | Period end date |    |
|                                        | 01                | 01 | 2024 |    | 31              | 12 |

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| Charity name                       | Wind-Up Penguin Theatre Company |
| Other names charity is known by    |                                 |
| Registered charity number (if any) | 1161255                         |
| Charity's principal address        | 334 Grand Drive, London         |
|                                    |                                 |
|                                    |                                 |
| Postcode                           | SW20 9NQ                        |

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

| Trustee name         | Office (if any) | Dates acted if not for whole year | Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any) |
|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 Elisabeth Swedlund |                 |                                   |                                                               |
| 2 Lerato Islam       |                 | From September 2025               |                                                               |
| 3 Lauren Brown       |                 | From September 2025               |                                                               |
| 4                    |                 |                                   |                                                               |
| 5                    |                 |                                   |                                                               |

Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

| Name | Dates acted if not for whole year |
|------|-----------------------------------|
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Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

| Type of adviser | Name | Address |
|-----------------|------|---------|
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Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Description of the charity's trusts

|                                                                     |              |
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| Type of governing document<br>(eg. trust deed, constitution)        | Constitution |
| How the charity is constituted<br>(eg. trust, association, company) | CIO          |

Trustee selection methods  
(eg. appointed by, elected by)

Elected from membership

### Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

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**Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document**

To educate and raise the artistic tastes of children and young people in the UK and overseas, children and young people who in particular but not exclusively have limited access to the arts, through design and delivery of professional-standard, original music-theatre performances and workshops.

**Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public**

**benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)**

The Wind-Up Penguin Theatre Company ran 4 international performance projects in 2024. For each of these projects, a team of 6-8 music and acting students and recent alumni devised a new piece of collaborative music theatre for children. These performances are always followed by an interactive music and drama workshop, enabling and encouraging children to express their creativity. Our teams took these productions (performance + workshop) on international tours. The teams conducted these projects exclusively with disadvantaged children.

Project 1: Belgium (December 2023-January 2024)  
Six performers  
10+ performances and workshops for refugee children, and Roma children, in various settlements, camps, and NGO-led venues.

Project 2: Greece (April 2024)  
Five performers  
15+ performances & workshops for refugee children in camps, schools, and various NGO-led centres.

Project 2: Madagascar (April 2024)  
Four performers  
20+ performances & workshops for children in rural schools, collaborating with the NGO Feedback Madagascar.

Project 3: Tanzania (summer 2024)  
Five performers  
20+ performances and workshops for children in orphanages, rural schools, and hospitals, collaborating with various Tanzanian NGOs.

This year, most participants were current students or recent graduates of the Guildhall School of Music and Drama, the Royal College of Music, and the Royal Academy of Dramatic Arts. Working with students from such high-reputation establishments ensures that performances and workshops we offer are of a professional standard. Our performances only use live music. This enables us to introduce children to classical instruments to which they are unlikely ever to have been exposed. All our performances are entirely free of charge both for the venues hosting us, and the attending public. The charity is run entirely by volunteers. We confirm the trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

**Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)**

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You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

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**Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year**

Wind-Up Penguin Theatre Company’s main achievements in 2024:

Total number of performances abroad: 65+

Total number of music and drama workshops abroad: 65+

Total number of children to have attended performances overseas: 5000+

Venues performed in: orphanages, hospitals, special needs centres, schools, nurseries, community centres, and refugee centers.

Number of participants in these projects (musicians, actors): 20, a combination of new members and returning members.

**Brief statement of the charity’s policy on reserves**

In 2024, the charity did not have a reserve policy.

**Details of any funds materially in deficit**

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**Further financial review details (Optional information)**

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Upon registering for projects, the participants of the Wind-Up Penguin Theatre Company become members of the CIO. Alongside any other members or volunteers, they fundraise to cover the costs of the international projects.

Participants will personally cover the outstanding amount of their project, should it not have been possible to cover the entirety of the cost with fundraising. Participants are made aware of this before applying, and must agree to this clause prior to committing to a project.

For all the CIO's international projects, funds (comprising both fundraising/donations and participant fees) are spent exclusively on areas which are necessary for the running of these projects:

- Flights
- All transport to and from performance venues abroad, as well as between locations
- Sustenance for participants
- Props and costumes

## Section F Other optional information

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The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s) *Elisabeth Swedlund*

Full name(s) Elisabeth Swedlund

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc) Trustee

Date 30/10/2025



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|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------|
| Charity Name<br>Wind-Up Penguin Theatre Company                     |                               | No (if any)<br>1161255              | CC16a |
| <h2 style="text-align: center;">Receipts and payments accounts</h2> |                               |                                     |       |
| For the period from                                                 | Period start date<br>1/1/2024 | To<br>Period end date<br>12/31/2024 |       |

## Section A Receipts and payments

|                                                            | Unrestricted funds | Restricted funds | Endowment funds  | Total funds      | Last year        |
|------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
|                                                            | to the nearest £   | to the nearest £ | to the nearest £ | to the nearest £ | to the nearest £ |
| <b>A1 Receipts</b>                                         |                    |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| Participants' fees for projects                            | 7,500              | -                | -                | 7,500            | -                |
| All fundraising (online fundraising, in-person events etc) | 8,417              | -                | -                | 8,417            | -                |
| Transfers/leftovers from projects                          | 1,782              | -                | -                | 1,782            | -                |
|                                                            |                    | -                | -                | -                | -                |
|                                                            |                    | -                | -                | -                | -                |
|                                                            |                    | -                | -                | -                | -                |
|                                                            | -                  | -                | -                | -                | -                |
|                                                            | -                  | -                | -                | -                | -                |
| <b>Sub total</b> (Gross income for AR)                     | 17,699             | -                | -                | 17,699           | -                |
| <b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>         |                    |                  |                  |                  |                  |
|                                                            | -                  | -                | -                | -                | -                |
|                                                            | -                  | -                | -                | -                | -                |
| <b>Sub total</b>                                           | -                  | -                | -                | -                | -                |
| <b>Total receipts</b>                                      | 17,699             | -                | -                | 17,699           | -                |

|                                       |        |   |   |        |   |
|---------------------------------------|--------|---|---|--------|---|
| <b>A3 Payments</b>                    |        |   |   |        |   |
| Administrative expenses (website etc) | 336    | - | - | 336    | - |
| All 2024 tour expenses                | 18,128 | - | - | 18,128 | - |
| Transfers                             | 2,704  | - | - | 2,704  | - |
|                                       |        | - | - | -      | - |
|                                       |        | - | - | -      | - |

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|-------------------------------------------------------|----------------|----------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                                                       | -              | -        | -        | -              | -        |
|                                                       | -              | -        | -        | -              | -        |
|                                                       | -              | -        | -        | -              | -        |
| <b>Sub total</b>                                      | <b>21,168</b>  | <b>-</b> | <b>-</b> | <b>21,168</b>  | <b>-</b> |
| <b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b> |                |          |          |                |          |
|                                                       | -              | -        | -        | -              |          |
|                                                       | -              | -        | -        | -              |          |
| <b>Sub total</b>                                      | <b>-</b>       | <b>-</b> | <b>-</b> | <b>-</b>       |          |
| <b>Total payments</b>                                 | <b>21,168</b>  | <b>-</b> | <b>-</b> | <b>21,168</b>  | <b>-</b> |
| <b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>                     | <b>- 3,469</b> | <b>-</b> | <b>-</b> | <b>- 3,469</b> | <b>-</b> |
| <b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>                     | <b>-</b>       | <b>-</b> | <b>-</b> | <b>-</b>       | <b>-</b> |
| <b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>                    | <b>5,554</b>   | <b>-</b> | <b>-</b> | <b>5,554</b>   | <b>-</b> |
| <b>Cash funds this year end</b>                       | <b>2,085</b>   | <b>-</b> | <b>-</b> | <b>2,085</b>   | <b>-</b> |

## Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

| Categories                      | Details                                                | Unrestricted funds<br>to nearest £         | Restricted funds<br>to nearest £         | Endowment funds<br>to nearest £         |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| <b>B1 Cash funds</b>            |                                                        |                                            |                                          |                                         |
|                                 |                                                        | 2,084                                      |                                          | -                                       |
|                                 |                                                        | -                                          | -                                        | -                                       |
|                                 |                                                        | -                                          | -                                        | -                                       |
|                                 | <b>Total cash funds</b>                                | <b>2,084</b>                               | <b>-</b>                                 | <b>-</b>                                |
|                                 | (agree balances with receipts and payments account(s)) | Agreement Error                            | OK                                       | OK                                      |
|                                 |                                                        | <b>Unrestricted funds<br/>to nearest £</b> | <b>Restricted funds<br/>to nearest £</b> | <b>Endowment funds<br/>to nearest £</b> |
| <b>B2 Other monetary assets</b> |                                                        | -                                          | -                                        | -                                       |

**B3 Investment assets**

| Details | Fund to which asset belongs | Cost (optional) | Current value (optional) |
|---------|-----------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|
|         |                             |                 | -                        |

**B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use**

| Details                                                     | Fund to which asset belongs | Cost (optional) | Current value (optional) |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|
| Props and costumes (from all previous performance projects) | unrestricted                |                 |                          |
|                                                             |                             | -               | -                        |

**B5 Liabilities**

| Details | Fund to which liability relates | Amount due (optional) | When due (optional) |
|---------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
|         |                                 | -                     |                     |