

**ILKLEY ARTS
REGISTERED CHARITY
NUMBER
1163861**

UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS

FOR THE PERIOD TO 31ST DECEMBER 2020

**ILKLEY ARTS
YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020**

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Trustee Report 2020

2020 was an extraordinary year for all of us and the impact on a small charity like Ilkley Arts has been considerable.

All our normal activities ceased from the March 2020 with the studio being closed to the public and the planned Castle Yard Arts Festival which was due to take place in October 2020 having to be cancelled too.

The government support to rate-paying organisations was invaluable and allowed us to continue to keep the art studio during the lockdown.

Ilkley Arts was still keen to offer some uplifting activities to the public and to support the hard hit artistic community and so decided during the summer of 2020 to switch the arts festival planned for October 2020 to a digital event with some in person activities if these were permitted.

This event was called Castle Yard Digital Arts Festival. We had by this time been given a grant by Ilkley Town Council to support the original arts festival and we agreed with them to switch this grant to support the digital event instead which allowed us the opportunity to purchase some digital equipment and create some great marketing materials.

Background to the Castle Yard Digital Arts Festival

Analysing the footfall from the 2018 Art Trail it was clear that a strong focus of the Trail had been the Manor House and studios around the courtyard with that area accounting for over 50% of the footfall of the entire Trail.

Ilkley Arts board agreed that we needed to refresh the Trail and so plans emerged to hold an arts festival in the Manor House and surrounding area in 2020. Plans were well underway but then in 2020 the country was put into lockdown due to the Covid 19 pandemic.

The decision was taken to refocus the festival planned for October 2020 as a digital festival with some in person activities where these were permitted.

Summary of Castle Yard Digital Arts Festival

The Castle Yard Digital Arts Festival ran on 10 and 11 October 2020



The Festival focused on around 40 of the Ilkley Arts members and their work and the programme (below) involved live streamed interviews and discussions on Facebook. The weekend also hosted a round table discussion again streamed live on Facebook about the future shape of the cultural organisations in Ilkley post the Covid19 lockdown.

Link to roundtable discussion session- -

<https://www.facebook.com/IlkleyArts/videos/382265449817464>

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**CASTLE
YARD**
ARTS
FESTIVAL

PROGRAMME

SATURDAY 10/10/2020 11:00 - 12:30 (facebook) HOST: Sarah Thomas CHATTING WITH ARTISTS: Caroline Hudson / MelAnie ALSO FEATURING: Caroline Smith / Louise Hepworth-Wood / Art School Ilkley	SATURDAY 10/10/2020 13:00 - 16:00 (facebook) HOST: Louise-Hepworth Wood / Jeremy Lewis CHATTING WITH ARTISTS: John Gamble / Rebecca Carr / Lucia Smith ALSO FEATURING: Chris Bailey / Jackie Knight / Kathryn Fox / Jo Tinker / Clare Dearnaley / Richard Miller / Jackie Waring / Debi Roberson / Libby Jubb/ Kerry Stoker	DRAWING CHALLENGE Saturday 10 October 2020 11pm to 1pm & 2pm to 4pm Manor House Courtyard. EVENT DESCRIPTION: Be prepared to draw things you can see, things from your imagination and from your memory. Your drawings will then become part of the online celebration of Castle Yard Festival of the Arts.
SUNDAY 11/10/2020 11:30 - 13:00 (facebook) HOST: Lucia Smith CHATTING WITH ARTISTS: Laura Dawes ALSO FEATURING: Felicia Nattress / Howard Gardiner / Pippa Hamilton / Lyndsey Jayne Gough / Art School Ilkley	SUNDAY 11/10/2020 14:00 - 15:30 (facebook) HOST: Sarah Thomas / Ruth Pitt ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION: Ruth Pitt, Media consultant and executive Chair of Leeds 2023 hosts a roundtable discussion about the future of the creative sector in Ilkley, with representatives from Ilkley Literature Festival, Ilkley Playhouse, Ilkley Manor House, Bradford Council, Upstagers and Ilkley Arts ALSO FEATURING: Vanessa Plews / Frances Taylor	SOUNDScape AND DANCE Sunday 11 October 2020 11am - 1pm Manor House Courtyard. EVENT DESCRIPTION: Matt Torres, a contemporary dancer and Ben Walker, a soundscape artist will create an improvised sound and movement piece.
SELFIE COMPETITION Post to #CYartsfest. Prize - £50 voucher from Art Shop Ilkley		CYAF ART EXHIBITION Saturday 10th and Sunday 11th October 2020, 11am - 4pm in the Manor House EVENT DESCRIPTION: Showcasing work of all artists involved in the festival. Admission is free and all the works are for sale.

Ilkley Arts

#cyartsfest

**Roundtable
discussion**
 The future of the creative sector in Ilkley



14:00 - 15:30
Sunday 11 October 2020
 Ruth Pitt, Media consultant and executive Chair of Leeds 2023 hosts a roundtable discussion about the future of the creative sector in Ilkley, with representatives from:
 Ilkley Literature Festival, Ilkley Playhouse,
 Ilkley Manor House, Bradford Council,
 Upstagers and Ilkley Arts.
#cyartsfest
 Watch the livestream on the Ilkley Arts Facebook Page

**CASTLE
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FESTIVAL

Technical input to support the Festival

The digital festival was a new venture for Ilkley Arts and our thanks go to Arts Council England digital champions who provided some invaluable support to

us in the run up the festival, to Jeremy Lewis, Ilkley Arts Trustee who worked tirelessly to bring his skills up to speed to run the studio set-up for the festival and to the artists who were involved in the interviews, making films about their work and running the live sessions during the weekend.

Many of the interviews and films are still available on the Ilkley Arts Facebook page and are being used by the artists on their own marketing platforms.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZhQ5jrUh7LY>

In person events during the Festival

Though the majority of the Festival was online Art School Ilkley also run a drawing challenge on the Saturday and a dance, draw and music event on the Sunday morning – again this was a new venture for the Ilkley Arts but was highly successful and will be something that we will repeat in future. Both events were held in the courtyard at the Manor House. The film (available via the link below) was created by Clare Dearnaley pro bono to Ilkley Arts.

https://vimeo.com/470610196?fbclid=IwAR1C_3lgoidwnGZUyjiRIb5zBkgOebvuHUbLI-jvMlc8xerFwisZ1KhIBzc

Other digital offers

At the time the Festival took place we were not certain if we would be able to allow the public into the Manor House to see the artists' work that was being exhibited. A filmmaker, Clare Dearnaley was commissioned to make a film of the exhibition in case the public were excluded. In the event the public were permitted to attend the exhibition and the film has become a record of the moment lockdown was announced as well as recording the exhibition. This film was used throughout the Festival.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FOfgQnbDdC8>

As part of the development of the digital arts festival Ilkley Arts purchased the online subscription for the first year of a new online shop to promote artists' work – *Discover Ilkley Art*. The online shop went live at the start of the festival.

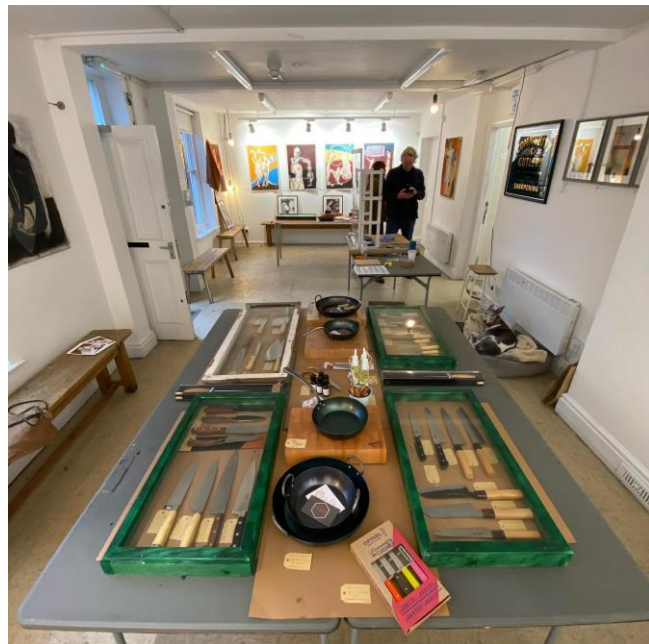
The site has now been further updated to incorporate the Solar Art Gallery whose home is in the eastern gallery of the Manor House and the merchandising for the Manor House.

<https://www.discoverilkleyart.co.uk/>

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Pop up shops in December

2 pop up shops for local artists and contemporary makers were held in December in the Ilkley Arts studio – both were really successful events.



Partnership working

Ilkley Arts has continued to develop key partnerships during 2020. Ilkley Arts has been a key player in the creation of the Ilkley Cultural Cooperative. A group which was formed during the first lockdown to be a forum for the key cultural organisations in Ilkley to share knowledge and expertise as well as exploring potential areas of future joint working.

The chair of Ilkley Arts has joined the steering group of the team that are leading the Bradford UK City of Culture bid for 2025.

The productive partnership with Ilkley Literature Festival continues and there are plans to explore future creative ventures with the ILF in 2021 and beyond.

Art School Ilkley continues to be a key partner for Ilkley Arts and a new scholarship scheme for 11 – 18 years old students is planned for 2021. Ilkley Arts is also offering grants to artists to improve and develop their own practice and finance creative exhibitions and events.

Conclusion

2020 has been a difficult year for the organisation and the loss of connection with the public and artists has been hard. However, the importance of creativity for so many during the lockdowns re-emphasises that the charitable aims of Ilkley Arts are even more important as we return to a degree of normality.

The festival was a great success in terms of learning both for the Ilkley Arts team and the 40 artists that took part in event. Many of the artists are now using different techniques on their social media platforms as a result of the festival and the Ilkley Arts team are confident that digital content can be incorporated into any future events.

The online streamed events reached an audience of over 11K people. Though the individual interaction is hard to determine the event nevertheless reached a significant number of individuals which for a first-time digital festival we felt was a great success.

The grant from Ilkley Town Council allowed Ilkley Arts to create some eye-catching social media and film assets that we are sure played a part in driving viewers to the festival events. We were also able to purchase some key pieces of equipment that will continue to be used by artists and Ilkley Arts. Any future events run by Ilkley Arts will now include a digital element. Our thanks go to the Town Council for their continuing support of our organisation.

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2021 will continue to be a challenge but as the country starts to move towards a great degree of normality Ilkley Arts will be working to engage the public and artists in bringing creativity into everyone's lives.



Sarah Thomas
Chair
Ilkley Arts Board of Trustees
October 2021

Trustees

Sarah Thomas	Chair
Jo Tinker	
Jeremy Lewis	
Libby Jubb	Resigned 1 st September 2019

Structure and Governance

The Charity is a CIO registered 6th October 2015

Principal address

11 Wheatley Avenue
Ilkley
LS29 8PT

Independent Examiner's Report

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view, and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

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 130 of the Charities Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities 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.

Signed



J Kendall ACA
21st October 2021

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020

	Year to 31st December 2020		Year to 31st December 2019	
	£	£	£	£
Incoming Resources				
Grants and Donations				
Ilkley Parish Council (Restricted Grant)	2,000		-	
BMDC Covid Rates Grant	20,000		-	
Donations	540		2,002	
		22,540		2,002
Income generated				
Artists Fees	-		4,145	
Artists Commission	234		2,996	
Nell Bank	0		685	
Other charitable activities	480		722	
Membership fees	2,327		1,940	
Studio rental	2,026		5,045	
Gift Aid	260		1,023	
		5,327		16,556
Interest received				-
Total Incoming Resources		27,867		18,558
Resources Expended				
Insurance	-		554	
Design and print	38		2,907	
Venue and equipment	771		1,090	
Website and marketing	446		1,263	
Other event costs	2,359		2,478	
Websales costs	1,210		-	
Arts Studio - rent and rates	7,386		7,800	
Arts Studio - overheads	209		132	
Arts Studio - other costs	795		1,138	
Book keeping	100		180	
Sundry	-		308	
		13,314		17,850
Net movement in funds		14,553		708
Funds of the Charity				
Unrestricted Funds				
Unrestricted Funds brought forward		7,672		6,964
Unrestricted Funds carried forward		22,225		7,672
Restricted Funds		-		-
Total Funds carried forward		22,225		7,672

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BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2020

	31st December 2020		31st December 2019	
	£	£	£	£
Current assets				
Bank Current Account	23,335		8,939	
Debtors and Prepayments	550		1,083	
Total Assets	23,885		10,022	
Current liabilities				
Trade Creditors	(1,660)		(2,350)	
Other Creditors	-			
	(1,660)		(2,350)	
Net current assets		<u>22,225</u>		<u>7,672</u>


A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a stylized 'S' followed by a long horizontal line that ends in a small hook.

Sarah Thomas
October 2021

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Notes to the Accounts AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2020

1 Accounting policies

The accounts have been prepared in line with the applicable Charity Law in the Jurisdiction of registration. Ilkley Arts has adopted FRS 102 and the Charities SORP.

The Charity is exempt from the requirement to prepare a cashflow.

The Charity is under the threshold required for independent examination.

2 Transfer of Business

On the 1st May 2016 the assets and liabilities of Ilkley Art Trail transferred to Ilkley Arts.

3 Grants and Donations

	2020 Unrestricted funds £	2020 Restricted funds £	2020 Total funds £	2019 Total funds £
Grants				
Ilkley Town Council	-	2,000	2,000	-
BMDC COVID Rates Grant	20,000	-	20,000	-
Donations				
Sir Rodney Brooke	-	-	-	2,000
Other Donations	540	-	540	2
	<u>20,540</u>	<u>2,000</u>	<u>22,540</u>	<u>2,002</u>

Restricted funds

	Balance b/f £	Incoming £	Outgoing £	Transfers £	Balance c/f £
Ilkley Town Council	-	2,000	2,000	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>2,000</u>	<u>2,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

Fund name

Purpose of restriction

Ilkley Town Council

Support for Digital Festival costs