

FRIENDS OF MASQUE (S.O.T.) THEATRE GROUP TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 1175073

Details

Other names FRIENDS OF MASQUE THEATRE GROUP

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2017-10-10

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECT OF THE CIO IS TO RELIEVE THE NEEDS OF DISABLED ADULTS BY SUPPORTING THE CHARITABLE WORK OF MASQUE THEATRE GROUP IN SUCH WAYS AS THE TRUSTEES SHALL THINK FIT.

Activities: To relieve the needs of disabled adults by supporting the charitable works, both financially and with personal volunteers, of the Masque Theatre Company in such ways as the trustees shall see fit.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Other Finance
- **What:** Arts/culture/heritage/science
- **Who:** People With Disabilities

Geography

- Stoke-on-trent City

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-10-31	£11,301	£9,903	-	-
2023-10-31	£9,101	£7,973	-	-
2022-10-31	£5,830	£6,353	-	-
2021-10-31	£1,484	£2,285	-	-
2020-10-31	£6,950	£7,540	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Brian Milnes	Chair	2017-11-01
SUSAN ANN WATERS		2017-11-01

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Friends of Masque Theatre Group Trust - Annual Report Nov 2022 to Oct 2023

Owing to persistent health problems relating to the Covid epidemic the trustees of the Charity decided that a full, open meeting of the members would be, potentially, dangerous to some, and that in its' stead a Zoom meeting would be held to which any member could log in and participate without endangering his or her health.

The following ia record of the matters discussed during the meeting.

1) Accounts: the statement of accounts for the Charity were presented for discussion, with comments, generally, being favorable. It was particularly encouraging that in the past year the Charity had been able to meet its' liabilities in full and generate a surplus of approx 13% to carry forward into the coming year.

2) Fund raising: Suggestions were invited as to how the Charity might raise funds in the coming months to support its' activities. These included a sponsored walk - not really practical as many of the members have a disability. A sponsored dance day, where members could secure sponsorship for dancing, without a break for a specified time (scheduled for late Septembr); a race night to be held at a local hostelry (held in June, raising in excess of £900); a cake and sandwich stall at a local event (held in July, raising only £120)

3) Catering: There was an expression of severe dissatisfaction with the quality and level of catering offered to the Group at the Friday rehearsal meetings and in particular with the standard of the Christmas meal provided - an under-catered for buffet, amd worse by guests helping themselves to more than a fair share. It was agreed that for the next Christmas meal the possibility of visiting a local restaurant would be investigated.

4) It was agreed, in light of holding meetings only infrequently, that no formal list of membership would be published.

Prepared by Brian Milnes, trustee, 24.04.2024.

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Minutes of the Friends of Masque Theatre Group AGM 2021-2022

The annual general meeting of the Charity was scheduled to take place on 20th January 2023. However, during a zoom conference call held between the three trustees of the Charity on the 13th of January, it was agreed that due to ongoing anxieties over Covid and the exceptional vulnerability of some of the groups members, it would be unwise to hold a full meeting thus avoiding the risk of contamination and potential spread of the disease. Instead, it was agreed that a round robin message would be prepared, detailing important information concerning the charity and its members covering the previous twelve months, and this would be circulated to all members, either by email, facebook messenger or by post.

These are the detailed events and information circulated.

- 1) Patricia St. George resigned as a trustee as a result of ongoing disagreements with our over the personal information the bank required her to supply. In her place Amanda (Mandy) Withington was appointed and is now acting in the role of trustee.
- 2) Because of the lack of activity and it not being possible to perform in the Theatre during the previous twelve months, the Charity had run up a small operational loss because of the loss of income usually derived from our stage appearances. This loss, however, did not impact severely on the Charity, since the loss was offset to a large extent by not have the outlay of rent for premises at which to rehearse.
- 3) Rehearsals for the summer play, "Circle of Life" will begin on Friday 27th January, on the assumption that no cases of Covid have been reported within the group and that the number of attendees is sufficient to make rehearsals viable.
- 4) Any other items for discussion, suggestions for activities, special events and questions are to be addressed to the Trustees within 21 days of this circular ..

Brian Milnes, Trustee

January 15th, 2023

FRIENDS OF MASQUE, UNIT 12, 203 GRANDLEY LANE, BLYTHE BRIDGE, STOKE ON TRENT

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st OCTOBER, 2022

	£	€
Subscriptions & Donations		2350
Fund Raisers		1800
Show Sales		1171
Raffles		440
Amazon		0
		<u>5830</u>
LESS EXPENSES		
Hire of Room	1200	
Hire of Theatre	1478	
Dance Coach	2500	
Sound and Light	300	
Licences	106	
Insurance	112	
Printing and Stationery	167	
Sundries	227	
Accountancy	245	(935.8)
		<u>523</u>
NET EXPENDITURE OVER INCOME		

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Biddulph.

15th MAY, 2023

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**ANNUAL REPORT
NOVEMBER 2020 - OCTOBER 2021**

Friends of Masque (S-O-T) Theatre Group Trust - Annual Report
(November 2020- October 2021)

The annual general meeting of the Friends of Masque was scheduled to take place on Friday 21st January 2022. However, because there was at that time no immediate prospect of the Group being able to resume its' normal activities, and taking into account the more vulnerable nature of some of our members due to lingering concerns over the Covid pandemic, it was agreed by the trustees via a zoom meeting that the AGM would be postponed to such a date when social conditions would be more favourable.

It was further agreed that, as usual, a full list of members of the Trust would be submitted with the information about the AGM and a copy of the Trust's accounts lodged with the Charity Commission.

No new date for an AGM has yet been fixed.

Brian Milnes
Trustee.

Attachments:

- 1) Certified copy of the Group accounts for the period November 2019 to October 2020
- 2) A full list of Group members as at 1.1.2021

Members of the Friends of Masque Group at 1.1.2022

Performers: Craig Fradley
Stanley Bates
Sarah Dawson
Jennifer Wilby
Stacey Webb
Donna Stanway
John Royals
Yazmin Akhtar
Colin Stevens
Leesa Oliver

Volunteers Matthew Byatt
Kirsty Milnes

Alwenna Heath
Lynn Clay
Mandy Withington

Trustees: Sue Waters
Patricia St. George
Brian Milnes

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st OCTOBER, 2021

	£	£
Subscriptions & Donations		1021
Fund Raisers		461
Lotto		<u>2</u>
		1484
 <u>LESS EXPENSES</u>		
Hire of Room	650	
Dance Coach	1260	
Licenses	20	
Insurances	112	
Sundries	8	
Accountancy	<u>235</u>	<u>(2285)</u>
NET EXPENDITURE OVER INCOME		<u><u>801</u></u>

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P.W. Knott

8th MARCH, 2022

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Following a zoom call/meeting between the trustees of the Trust, held on January 15th, it was agreed that a full meeting of all trust members was inadvisable due the Covid pandemic restrictions applying at the time.

It was further agreed that a copy of this report, briefly detailing salient points from the years activities would be circulated to all members as soon as the year end accounts became available for general scrutiny.

The highlight of the year was the performance staged by the Company at the Mitchell Memorial Theatre of Memories. Put on over three nights, the group played to full houses and generated a considerable amount of income for the Trust

Also as an income stream, the trust enjoyed continued success with its' souvenir items of quality pens, flashlights, handbag diaries, and had begun to develop a positive relationship with local Tesco stores allowing the Group to send its' dancing troop to perform routines in the store foyer for approximately an hour.

Unfortunately, because of the Covid pandemic, all activities have been curtailed in the interests of the health of Group members resulting in a slight fall in income and a net loss on operations over the twelve month period. However, since expenditure has been virtually non-existent since December 2019, it is anticipated that this situation will be rectified in the coming year.

Finally, it was discussed and accepted that Trustee, Patricia St. George, would not be required to resign her position and offer herself for re-election as required by the Constitution of the Trust due to circumstances prevailing, but that this requirement would be postponed for twelve months.

For and on behalf of
The Friends of Masque (S-O-T) Theatre Group Trust

Brian Milnes
Trustee.

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	£	£
Subscriptions & Donations		1691
Show Sales etc.		4259
Grants		<u>1000</u>
		6950

LESS EXPENSES

Hire of Room	1900	
Hire of Theatre	2556	
Sound & Light	600	
Dance Coach	1980	
Printing & Stationery	30	
Licenses	25	
Van Hire	120	
Sundries	94	
Accountancy	<u>235</u>	(7540)
NET EXPENDITURE OVER INCOME		<u><u>(590)</u></u>

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P.W. Knott

18th JUNE, 2020

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