

	Trustees' Annual Report for the period							
	From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
		Day 1	Month August	Year 2024		Day 31	Month July	Year 2025

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	The Viola Commissioning Circle		
Other names charity is known by	The VCC		
Registered charity number (if any)	1179223		
Charity's principal address	11 Heathfield South		
	Twickenham, London		
	Postcode	TW2 7SR	

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

Trustees in office August 2023 to July 2024

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	David John Challen CBE			
2	Sir Christopher Owen Hum KCMG			
3	Peter Smart			

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation (Foundation)
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by resolution of the charity trustees

Section C Objectives and activities

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

To promote improve, develop, maintain, and advance education and the arts for the public benefit, in particular through the promotion, support and encouragement of the art of music and all other art forms and specifically, but not exclusively, by commissioning or supporting the commissioning of musical works for the viola with or without other instruments or voices which in connection therewith may include public performances, masterclasses, coaching, open rehearsals, workshops, talks and lectures, outreach programmes, publication of scores and parts and recordings.

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)

In accordance with the objects of the Charity, the past underwritten viola concerto from ANDERS HILLBORG received further performances in the UK (October and November 2024, Scottish Chamber Orchestra) as part of Nordic Music Days.

MAGNUS LINDBERG's viola concerto received its UK premiere (November 2024, Philharmonia Orchestra) and the viola concerto from CASSANDRA MILLER was nominated for an Ivors Award.

Furthering the V10LA project, the charity's aim to create ten new major works for viola and orchestra by 2030, two new works by ERIKA FOX and ANNA CLYNE were underwritten.

The charity held a crowdfunder to raise further funds for the VCC Composer Prize, which was launched in May 2025.

The trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The Scottish and UK premieres of the Anders Hillborg and Magnus Lindberg viola concertos were given by Lawrence Power and the Scottish Chamber Orchestra / Philharmonia Orchestra respectively, both achieved critical acclaim.

The Lockdown Commissions continue to inspire young viola players globally, with new performances of the works. In July 2025 the viola concerto from ANDERS HILLBORG was performed by young violist Ionel Ungureanu with the Deutsches Symphonie-Orchester Berlin.

The VCC Composer Prize was launched in May 2025 searching for new composers to write for viola in a chamber setting.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Unrestricted funds will be retained to meet operating costs while the expendable endowment will be used to support the underwriting of commissions and to meet any shortfall on underwritten pieces. If necessary, funds are transferred from the endowment to meet any deficit in unrestricted funds.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

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.

The charity's principal source of funds is from the charity's supporters. Further funding for specific commissions may be sought from charitable grant makers.

Funds are held in a bank current account. Interest-bearing deposit accounts for funds not immediately required have been opened.

Section F

Other optional information

We should like to thank the members of our Advisory Council for their invaluable guidance and advice and the many generous donors who have entrusted their funds to us as Underwriting Members. We are also most grateful to our donors and Friends for their support. Please see the lists on our website <http://viola-cc.org.uk>

Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

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Full name(s)

Peter Smart

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Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Trustee

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Date

14th December 2025

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Balance Sheet

31st July 2025

	2025	2024
Current Assets		
Debtors, prepayments & accrued income	-	-
Lloyds Current Account	20,047	5,873
Nationwide 45 day notice account	31,000	50,000
	<u>51,047</u>	<u>55,873</u>
Current Liabilities		
Trade creditors	-	1,180
Accruals & deferred income	660	630
	<u>660</u>	<u>1,810</u>
Net Current Assets / (Liabilities)	50,387	54,063
Net Assets / (Liabilities)	<u>50,387</u>	<u>54,063</u>
Representing		
Unrestricted reserve brought forward	942	927
Surplus (deficit) for the period	(676)	15
Unrestricted reserve carried forward	<u>266</u>	<u>942</u>
Endowment reserve brought forward	53,121	57,121
Surplus (deficit) for the period	(3,000)	(4,000)
Endowment reserve carried forward	<u>50,121</u>	<u>53,121</u>
Total reserves carried forward	<u>50,387</u>	<u>54,063</u>

Income & Expenditure

31st July 2025

	Unrestricted	Endowment	Total 2025	Total 2024
Income:				
Donations / legacies	12,742	-	12,742	425
Gift Aid	2,132	-	2,132	-
Bank interest	1,603	-	1,603	1,525
Total Income	16,477	-	16,477	1,950
Expenditure:				
Underwriting fees	13,000	-	13,000	-
Administrator fees	5,820	-	5,820	4,000
Marketing	422	-	422	125
Commissioning	221	-	221	-
Office costs	30	-	30	-
Professional fees	660	-	660	630
Total Expenditure	20,153	-	20,153	5,935
Net Income / (Expenditure) before transfers	(3,676)	-	(3,676)	(3,985)
Transfer between funds	3,000	(3,000)	-	-
Net Income / (Expenditure)	(676)	(3,000)	(3,676)	(3,985)