

Trustees' Annual Report for the period August 6th 2020 to April 5th 2022

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The purposes of the charity are as follows: To advance education in and to promote the arts for the public benefit, by providing arts facilities, public exhibitions, lectures and workshops and by encouraging high standards of art which increase the public's knowledge, understanding and appreciation of the arts.

Due to Covid 19 and several lockdowns the meetings between the Trustee members were made through the phone and internet.

The pandemic has stopped us from fully accomplishing our original intentions for the charity. We have not yet found a site where we would be able to show art work, but we have been invited to exhibit work in some spaces during the year and have continued our educational work.

EXHIBITIONS

This year we held art exhibitions at the "Stone Gallery" and "Fill the Gap" in Leytonstone, and have taken part in an ecology and feminism exhibition and series of events at the "Art Pavilion", Mile End Park and a show of prints at the Barbican library.

PROJECTS RECEIVING FUNDING

We started an art course using Zoom where the students pay a small fee. The previous course, with a grant from Waltham Forest council, was free for attendees and used the Facebook page of Waltham Forest library. The academic programme has finished but all the lessons were recorded so in the future they can still be viewed by the public.

Using Zoom is preferable because instead of only giving a lesson as on Facebook, it is possible to interact with students and to be able to see and also correct their work as well as having a discussion with the rest of the group. Since November 2022 (so the information will be detailed in next year's account) we are continuing the paying Zoom class but in addition we are using Waltham Forest libraries for a free Zoom course for local residents of the borough as we received a grant from the council for this purpose.

OTHER PROJECTS

Through Clarence House we were able to contact “Woodland Heritage” (a registered charity supporting British woodlands) and we have offered anyone who gives a sizeable donation to this charity a work of art from our organisation’s chairman.

We continue to have the support of the 3 voluntary worker who have helped us for the last few years with IT issues and secretarial work even if they cannot help as frequently as before because they have found employment.

We were approached by the work-experience co-ordinator at the University of Westminster and one of their students will assist us with grant applications for our charity. We will enable the student to fulfil the criteria of their course by their work for our organisation and help them on the road to employment.

EXPENSES

As there was very little space on the desk for filming the large number of books, we needed to take photocopies of some of the images to be able to point out details for the lessons to make them clearer, so we spent funds on ink and paper to photocopy the necessary material.

Due to the difficulty of using paint and other materials we could not use Facebook or Zoom run by a single person, in this case the teacher so we had the help of a volunteer to do the filming. The teacher, one of the Trustees, has received a small amount from the council grant, covering the last 2 years of teaching, and some of the fee paid by the students as we didn’t have the funds before.

THE WILLIAM STOK ART CENTRE

INCOME YEAR 2021 -22

15 APR 2021	WALTHAM FOREST	1350
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2021- 2022	PAYMENT STUDENTS	860.64
2021 -2022	TOTAL INCOME	2210.64

EXPENDITURE YEAR 2021-22

2 MAY	ZOOM	14.39
10 MAY	PAPER	6.56
22 MAY	INK	18.74
30 MAY	TAPE	7.75
2 JUNE	ZOOM	14.39
2 JULY	ZOOM	14.39
JULY	PENS	4.90
2 AUG	ZOOM	14.39
2 SEPT	ZOOM	14.39
14 SEPT	INK	19.01
14 SEPT	PAPER	6.04
2 OCT	ZOOM	14.39
2NOV	ZOOM	14.39
2 DEC	ZOOM	14.39
31 DEC	WIX	44.73
2 JAN	ZOOM	14.39
4 JAN	WIX	93.60
1 JAN	INK	20.35
7 JAN	PAPER X 2	17.78
8 JAN	COLOUR COPY PAPER	9.49
25 JAN	INK	21.48
2 FEB	ZOOM	14.39
17 FEB	INK	21.44
2 MAR	INK	20.90

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2 MAR	INK	20.90
MAR	INK	20.27
26 MAR	INK	22.49
18 MAR	PAPER	7.09
2 MAR	INK	24.23
2 APRIL	ZOOM	14.39
2021 -22 ELECTRICITY		86.10
2021 -22 GAS		92.52
PAYMENT TO TEACHER		1000.00
TOTAL EXPENSES		1759.05