

## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1/1/2023 Period start date To 31/12/2023 Period end date

Charity name: Jaleh Esfahani Cultural Foundation

Charity registration number: 1187620

### Objectives and Activities

Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	To advance public education and participation in, and appreciation of, Iranian/Persian culture, tradition, language, history, music, poetry, film and theatre, but not exclusively by: I. Organising public performance II. Educational workshops and talks III. Promoting the study and research of Iranian and Persian arts and literature and to make the results of these studies and research accessible to the general public IV. The provision of grants for related projects
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	During 2023 we have organised: 1- The 14 <sup>th</sup> Annual Poetry Prize for young Persian Poets (normally originated from Afghanistan, Iran and Tajikistan and the diaspora), in which around 202 young poets, under the age of 30, took part). 2- Organised 10 Poetry events, for the benefit of Persian Speaking Diaspora in the UK by well-known poets from Afghanistan, Iran and Tajikistan. More than 600 attended and over 8700 viewed the videos online after the events. 4- Eight Talks and debates on recent novels and literary works were held online with more than 800 people attending live and hundreds more viewing the proceedings of each event after the events.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	The trustees can confirm that they had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefits.

## Achievements and Performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	In line with our objectives (i), (ii) and (iii) our work benefited the Persian Speaking people, in particular young people, engaging with their mother tongue culture in England. It is estimated that more than 9000 people have benefited by taking part in our events and many more viewing the material online after the events.
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## Financial Review

### Receipts (in £)

Trustees' regular donations	860
Other donors	1,314
Books and Tickets	518
Misc. Return of double payment	410
<b>Sub total</b> (Gross income for AR)	<b>3,103</b>

### Payments (in £)

Venue	1,974
Zoom Sub-Webinar	413
Events Food/Drink	504
Musicians/Coaches/Lecturers	392
Website Domain-Maintenance	1,387
Trophies/Frames/Decorations	170
Monetary Poetry Prizes	2,102
Printing/Artwork/etc.	-
Volunteers	654
Photography/Videos	650
Donations/Grants	-
Misc. (Postage, Delivery, Sundries, Other)	242
<b>Total</b>	<b>£ 8,487</b>
<b>Surplus/Deficit</b>	<b>(£5384)</b>
<b>Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>£6,497</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>£1113</b>
<b>Bank Balance</b>	<b>£2636</b>
<b>Liabilities*</b>	<b>£ 1523</b>

\*Description of liabilities: These are expenditures made by the trustees on behalf of the charity to be reimbursed to them. No personal expenditure is paid to the trustees.

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:	
Type of governing document	The charity has a constitution (last amended on 1/4/2019) as its governing document.
How is the charity constituted?	The charity is a charitable incorporated organisation (CIO) with its principal office in England.
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Founding trustees are continuing as trustees. No new trustee has been selected during the period.

## Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Jaleh Esfahani Cultural Foundation
Other name the charity uses	Aka Bonyad Jaleh Esfahani
Registered charity number	1187620
Charity's principal address	15 Chancellor's Wharf, Crisp Road, London W6 9RT

## 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	Saba Ansari			
2	Bijan Badi	Treasurer / Account Signatory		
3	Mehrdad Badi			
4	Foroutan Parand	Chair		
5	Iraj Sattari	Account signatory		
6	Rouhangiz Shiranipour	Account Signatory		
7	Morassa Stansfield			

## Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

F Parand

B Badi

Full name(s)

Foroutan Parand

Bijan Badi

Position (eg Secretary,  
Chair, etc)

Chair

Treasurer

Date

29/10/2024