

FRIENDS OF FAVELA BRASS registered charity 1194144

Trustees Annual Report April 2023 to March 2024

As in previous years Friends of Favela Brass continues to operate with adherence to our 4 policy documents for Conflict of Interest, Donations, Monitoring and Evaluation, and Support.

Our trustees are still unchanged from our inception: Sallie Ashe, Chair; John Kerr, Treasurer; Sue Riley and Melissa Beeko. Sallie and Sue continue to organise our fund-raising events in the UK and Melissa lives in Rio and advises the board with her experience on the Board of Favela Brass in Rio. We hold at least 3 Board meetings each year, by Zoom rather than in person to enable the link between South Yorkshire and Rio de Janeiro. The Executive and Artistic Director of Favela Brass, Tom Ashe, resides in Rio and attends our meetings.

Favela Brass continues attract new students from both schools and favelas but is now in the position where the children who joined 11 years ago, when the project started have become adults. Some continue with Favela Brass by teaching and helping but several of them have formed their own band and operate independently providing living evidence of success in establishing our Charity's objects:

(b) providing support and activities which develop their skills, capacities and capabilities to enable them to participate in society as mature and responsible individuals.

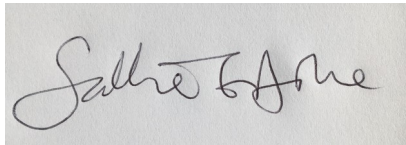
Building on the success of their 3 day trip to Paraty (in the Rio de Janeiro state) in June last year Favela Brass was invited again in April 2023 and their performances were highly acclaimed. FoFB were able to support this and other trips by purchasing more professional percussion and related equipment for those students who have progressed significantly in their playing. We have also purchased cases for brass instruments for travel and to protect their physical condition. Exchange trips between Doncaster and Rio remain prohibited by the inflated cost of travel and accommodation in the two countries which would mean only a very limited number of students would benefit for the moment.

Our fund raising activities continue with just one car boot sale, card sales and other small events but more significant amounts were raised through a sponsored run in November 2023 and our first Ceilidh. The latter was successful despite extreme weather preventing some ticket holders from attending. The large collection of vinyl records which was donated earlier was sold in 2 batches in late 2023 and early 2024.

To overcome the problem of organising safe delivery of instruments and equipment between the two countries we have employed two new methods. Firstly, our chair was able to travel to Rio and purchase percussion on site with the expertise of Favela Brass's teachers. Additionally, in June 2023 and with the assistance and experience of CAF Bank, instrument cases were purchased from a Brazilian company using international payment, which is notoriously difficult in countries such as Brazil with its widespread corruption.

Expenditure has increased by about a quarter, largely through increased spending on musical instruments and associated items to support the expansion of FB activities. Other more generalist items continue to be purchased in Brazil online generally using Amazon Brazil which delivers directly to the Favela Brass's staff.

A possible future use of our funding may include support to institute a recognised music examination system for Favela Brass students to encourage their development and help them, should they wish to enter the musical world as professionals.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading 'Sallie Ashe', on a light-colored background.

Signed by Sallie Ashe
Chair of Friends of Favela Brass

24 October 2024

FRIENDS OF FAVELLA BRASS ACCOUNTS 2023/2024

Date	Details	Income	Expenditure	Balance	Notes
	opening balance			2936	
06/04/23	Equipment		25	2911	Lights
11/04/23	Donation	50		2961	Wendy Peto
13/04/23	Fundraising	5		2966	
17/04/23	Bank Charges		5	2961	
19/04/23	Musical Instru		497	2464	Drums and harness
10/05/23	Donation	50		2514	Wendy Peto
12/05/23	Fundraising	5		2519	
15/05/23	Fundraising	66		2585	Cards
15/05/23	Bank Charges		5	2580	
24/05/23	Fundraising	46		2626	Cards
30/05/23	Musical Instru		48	2578	
01/06/23	Fundraising	62		2640	Boot sale
02/06/23	Donation	150		2790	LC Wilson
02/06/23	Musical Instru		827	1963	Percussion
02/06/23	Bank Charges		25	1938	FOREX
09/06/23	Fundraising	5		1943	
12/06/23	Donation	50		1993	Wendy Peto
12/06/23	Fundraising	200		2193	??
15/06/23	Equipment		13	2180	
15/06/23	bank Charges		5	2175	
20/06/23	Fundraising	110		2285	Cards
26/06/23	Interest	1		2286	
26/06/23	Musical Instru		47	2239	Drum Heads
26/06/23	Musical Instru		47	2192	Drum Heads
06/07/23	Fundraising	42		2234	Cards
10/07/23	Donation	50		2284	Wendy Peto
11/07/23	Fundraising	5		2289	
13/07/23	Donation	15		2304	sallie 10k
13/07/23	musical Instru		68	2236	drums
17/07/23	bank Charges		5	2231	
20/07/23	equipment		31	2200	lighting
31/07/23	musical Instru		12	2188	
07/08/23	Fundraising	50		2238	Ceildh
10/08/23	Donation	50		2288	Wendy Peto
10/08/23	Fundraising	5		2293	Ceildh
15/08/23	bank Charges		5	2288	
31/08/23	Equipment		47	2241	Lights
11/09/23	Donation	50		2291	Wendy Peto
11/09/23	Fundraising	5		2296	Ceildh
14/09/23	Equipment		53	2243	Lights
15/09/23	bank Charges		4	2239	includes interest
09/10/23	Fundraising	42		2281	??
10/10/23	Donation	50		2331	Wendy Peto
11/10/23	Fundraising	30		2361	Ceildh
11/10/23	Fundraising	5		2366	??
13/10/23	Fundraising	15		2381	Ceildh
16/10/23	bank Charges		5	2376	
18/10/23	Fundraising	30		2406	Ceildh
23/10/23	Fundraising	80		2486	Ceildh
23/10/23	Fundraising	15		2501	Ceildh
23/10/23	Fundraising	15		2516	Ceildh
23/10/23	Fundraising	32		2548	C&Cards
23/10/23	Fundraising	40		2588	halfm
26/10/23	Fundraising	305		2893	??
30/10/23	Fundraising	25		2918	halfm
30/10/23	Fundraising	10		2928	halfm

30/10/23	Fundraising	25		2953	halfm
30/10/23	Fundraising	20		2973	halfm
31/10/23	Fundraising	25		2998	halfm
03/11/23	Fundraising	41		3039	C&Cards
03/11/23	Fundraising	260		3299	halfm
06/11/23	Fundraising	70		3369	
07/11/23	Fundraising	30		3399	
09/11/23	Fundraising	5		3404	
10/11/23	Donation	50		3454	Wendy Peto
13/11/23	Fundraising	78		3532	C&Cards
14/11/23	Fundraising	8		3540	
15/11/23	bank Charges		5	3535	
15/11/23	Fundraising	100		3635	Record sales
22/11/23	Fundraising	10		3645	Record sales
29/11/23	Fundraising	8		3653	C&Cards
06/12/23	musical Instru		56	3597	percussion
11/12/23	musical Instru		60	3537	percussion
11/12/23	Donation	50		3587	Wendy Peto
11/12/23	Fundraising	5		3592	
15/12/23	bank Charges		5	3587	
27/12/23	Interest	2		3589	
27/12/23	Fundraising	139		3728	C&Cards
10/01/24	Donation	50		3778	Wendy Peto
10/01/24	Donation	500		4278	Paul Walford
11/01/24	Fundraising	5		4283	C&Cards
15/01/24	Bank Charges		5	4278	
09/02/24	Fundraising	5		4283	
12/02/24	Donation	50		4333	Wendy Peto
15/02/24	Bank Charges		5	4328	
19/02/24	Fundraising	6		4334	C&Cards
19/02/24	Fundraising	140		4474	C&Cards
19/02/24	Fundraising	10		4484	C&Cards
20/02/24	Donation	30		4514	
28/02/24	Fundraising	150		4664	Record sales
01/03/24	musical Instruments		57	4607	drum pad
04/03/24	Equipment		65	4542	scanner
05/03/24	Equipment		37	4505	folders
07/03/24	Equipment		38	4467	folders
#N/A	Donation	50		4517	Wendy Peto
11/03/24	Fundraising	5		4522	
15/03/24	Bank Charges		3	4519	less interest
26/03/24	musical Instruments		1782	2737	Sousaphone
		3693	3892		