

MIDSUMMER OPERA

England & Wales · Charity number 294591

Details

Other names SOUNDS LYRICAL

Status Registered

Legal form Charitable company

Company number [02023661](#)

Registered 1986-06-19

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

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Activities

Objects: PROMOTE, MAINTAIN, IMPROVE AND ADVANCE EDUCATION PARTICULARLY BY THE ENCOURAGEMENT OF THE ARTS INCLUDING THE ARTS OF OPERA, MUSIC, SINGING, DRAMA, BALLET, LITERATURE, SCULPTURE AND PAINTING.

Activities: Promoting 2 operatic projects per season plus recitals by company principals and contributions by our chorus to other organizations' performances.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** Education/training, Arts/culture/heritage/science
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£19,643	£21,365	-	-
2023-12-31	£31,989	£32,778	-	-
2022-12-31	£21,524	£23,071	-	-
2021-12-31	£10,987	£8,650	-	-
2020-12-31	£3,736	£7,332	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
CHRISTOPHER DENZIL HOLLIS BA	Chair	2017-01-23
DAVID JOHN ROBLOU		2017-01-23
Dr BRIAN PAUL FINE MA, MB		2017-01-23
Dr GORDON MIZNER		2017-01-23
JOHN UPPERTON		2017-01-23
MRS CAROL FINE		2017-01-23

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Accounts

MIDSUMMER OPERA

(LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)

Company registration 2023661

Charity registration 294591

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31 DECEMBER 2023

MIDSUMMER OPERA
REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

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**MIDSUMMER OPERA
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO 31 DECEMBER 2023
COMPANY INFORMATION**

Trustees:	C. Hollis G Mizner D. Roblou Dr B. Fine C. Fine J. Upperton
Company Secretary	J Upperton
Companies House:	Registration No. 2023661
Charity Commission:	Registration No. 294591
Registered Office:	109, Algernon Road London SE13 7AP
Accountants:	Adrian C Mansbridge & Co. Chartered Accountants 28 Watford Road Northwood Middlesex HA6 3NT
Bankers:	CAF Bank Ltd 25 Kings Hill Avenue Kings Hill West Malling Kent ME19 4JQ

**MIDSUMMER OPERA
TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

The Directors & Trustees present their report and audited financial statements for the year to 31 December 2023.

Objects of the charity, principal activities and organisation of our work

Midsummer opera is constituted as a company limited by guarantee; registration number 2023661 and is therefore governed by a memorandum and articles of association. The company is also registered as a charity with the Charity Commission: number 294591.

Activities

The charity's primary object is to promote mainstream and unusual operatic repertoire in both fully staged and concert performances; in addition building audiences for opera via education work and small-scale concerts.

The charity is organised so that the trustees meet regularly to oversee its affairs.

Directors and Trustees

The Directors who were also Trustees of the Society during the year were:

C. Hollis, D. Roblou, J. Upperton, C Fine, B Fine, G Mizner

The Board has the power to appoint additional directors and trustees as it considers fit to do so.

Directors and Trustees responsibilities

Company Law requires the directors and trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the directors and trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The trustees and directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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Directors and Trustees responsibilities (cont'd)

The directors and trustees are aware of their responsibilities to external creditors under the Insolvency Act 1986 and undertake to ensure funding levels are adequate for the foreseeable future.

Tax status

In the opinion of the directors, the Society is exempt from tax on its principal activities by virtue of its charitable status.

Audit

The directors and trustees have decided to take advantage of the rules that allow a Charity of the size of Midsummer opera to no longer have its accounts audited. Instead the accounts will be "examined" by an appropriately qualified person, but not audited.

Approval

This report was approved by the Board of Directors and Trustees on the date shown below and signed on its behalf



Mr Christopher Hollis
Director & Trustee
Date: 9 September 2024

**MIDSUMMER OPERA
REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

**Independent Examiner’s Report to the trustees of Midsummer opera
(Charity number 294591)**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the charity’s trustees of the Company (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law), you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 (“the 2006 Act”).

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited for this year under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity’s accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (“the 2011 Act”). In carrying out my examination, I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner’s statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; or
- the accounts do not accord with such records; or
- the accounts do not comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 other than any requirement that the accounts give a ‘true and fair’ view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
- the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102).

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed.....

Date: 10 September 2024

Adrian Mansbridge FCA, FCCA, CTA
Adrian C Mansbridge and Company
Half Oak House
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**MIDSUMMER OPERA
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE PERIOD TO 31 DECEMBER 2023**

	NOTES	<u>RESTRICTED</u>	<u>UNRESTRICTED</u>	<u>TOTAL TO</u>	<u>TOTAL TO</u>
				<u>31.12. 2023</u>	<u>31.12. 2022</u>
		£	£	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Donations and gifts	2	-	2,620	2,620	7,267
Covenanted income					
Gift aid reimbursements			2,568	2,568	-
Fund-raising ventures	4		26,783	26,783	14,245
Investment income			18	18	12
Total income		-	31,989	31,989	21,524
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Direct charitable expenditure					
Performance fees	6		12,503	12,503	7,896
Other expenditure					
Fund-raising			16,140	16,140	11,655
Management and administration	7		4,135	4,135	3,520
Total Expenditure		-	32,778	32,778	23,071
NET INCOME/ (EXPENDITURE) FOR THE YEAR		-	-789	-789	-1,547

**MIDSUMMER OPERA
STATEMENT OF OTHER RECOGNISED GAINS
FOR THE PERIOD TO 31 DECEMBER 2023**

	PERMANENT ENDOWMENT	RESTRICTED INCOME	UNRESTRICTED INCOME	TOTAL 2023	TOTAL 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Net (Expenditure)/income for the year			-789	-789	-1,547
Investment gains			-	-	-
Net movement in funds for period			-789	-789	-1,547
Funds brought forward		360	10,904	11,264	12,811
Funds carried forward		360	10,115	10,475	11,264

**MIDSUMMER OPERA
BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023**

	<u>NOTES</u>	<u>2023</u> £	<u>2023</u> £	<u>2022</u> £	<u>2022</u> £
Current Assets					
Debtors		-		-	
Cash at bank and in hand		11,603		12,320	
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Total current assets		11,603		12,320	
Creditors : amounts due within one year	8	(1,128)		(1,056)	
Net Current Assets			10,475		11,264
Net Assets			<hr/> <hr/>		<hr/> <hr/>
			10,475		11,264
Capital					
Permanent Endowment	9		-		-
Restricted income funds	9		360		360
Unrestricted funds	9		10,115		10,904
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			10,475		11,264

For the year ended 31 December 2023 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors responsibilities:

- No members have required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476; and
- The directors acknowledge their responsibility for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime and in accordance with the FRS 102 SORP.

Approved and signed on behalf of the Board of directors and Trustees on 9 September 2024



Mr Christopher Hollis
Director and Trustee

MIDSUMMER OPERA REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

1. Accounting policies

1.1 Basis of preparation of accounts

The accounts are prepared under the historical cost convention and includes the results of the charity's operations which are described in the Directors and Trustees Report and all of which are continuing. The accounts have been prepared in compliance with the Statement of Recommended Practice on Charity Accounts.

The company has taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard No. 1 from producing a cash flow statement.

1.2 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

There were no fixed assets held.

1.3 Income

Voluntary income and donations are accounted for as received by the charity. The income from fundraising ventures is shown gross, with any associated costs included in fund raising costs. No permanent endowments have been received in the period, but these are dealt with through the Statement of Financial Activities if any arose.

1.4 Investments

The company currently hold no investment.

1.5 Value added tax

Value added tax is not recoverable by the charity and is therefore included as a cost in the statement of financial activities.

1.6 Finance leases

There were no Finance leases.

1.7 Operating leases

There were no Operating leases.

1.8 Fundraising costs

Fundraising costs comprises expenditure incurred in inducing people and organisations to contribute financially to the charity's work. This includes the cost of advertising for donations and the staging of special fundraising events.

1.9 Expenditure on management and administration of the charity.

Administration expenditure includes all expenditure not directly related to the charitable activity of fundraising ventures. This includes cost of renting and running office premises, staff salaries for administrative staff and accountancy and audit fees.

**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR TO 31 DECEMBER 2023**

	2023	2022
	£	£
2. DONATIONS & GIFTS		
Donations from individuals	2,620	7,267
Gift aid reimbursements	2,568	-
3. GRANTS RECEIVED	nil	nil
4. FUND-RAISING VENTURES		
Concert tickets, programmes, interval refreshments, adverts, CD's	26,783	14,245
5. INVESTMENT INCOME		
Interest received	18	12
6. PERFORMANCE FEES		
Direct concert costs	28,643	19,551
7 MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION		
The deficit on activities is after charging:		
Accountants remuneration including VAT	1,128	1,056
Printing postage and stationery	150	110
Bank Charges	60	169
Insurance	297	392
Administration costs	2,500	1,790
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	4,135	3,520
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8. CREDITORS		
Accountancy fees	1,128	1,056
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	1,128	1,056
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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR TO 31 DECEMBER 2023

9. RESERVES

No permanent endowment fund providing ongoing investment income currently exists. The charity will be encouraging the provision of such an endowment. There were no restricted reserves arising during the year. Fund balances analysed between assets comprise:

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	£	£	£
Fixed assets			
Investment			
Net current assets	<u>10,115</u>	<u>360</u>	<u>10,475</u>
	10,115	360	10,475

10. LOAN FROM BENEFACTORS

There were no loans at 31 DECEMBER 2023.

11. DIRECTORS & TRUSTEES REMUNERATION

No remuneration was paid to trustees in the capacity of trustee during the year.

12. The company is limited by guarantee. Each director has guaranteed £1.

13. Related party Transaction

The following directors/trustees completed transactions with the company in the capacity of performers
J Upperton - performance fee £3,100 reimbursed expenses £NIL
B Fine-performance fee £NIL, reimbursed expenses £117.