

THE HERON THEATRE

England & Wales · Charity number 501134

Details

Other names	SOUTH WESTMORLAND STAGE AND SCREEN SOCIETY
Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	1973-06-19
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

Address
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Activities

Objects: TO PROMOTE ALL ASPECTS OF THE PERFORMING, VISUAL AND CREATIVE ARTS IN ORDER TO CREATE A GREATER APPRECIATION AND AWARENESS IN THE GENERAL PUBLIC AND TO ASSIST AND FURTHER SUCH CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS AND PURPOSES AS THE CHARITY MAY FROM TIME TO TIME DETERMINE. (SEE CONSTITUTION FOR FURTHER DETAILS)

Activities: The object of the Heron Theatre is to present to the public dramatic and kindred arts by means of the production of dramatic, musical and dance performances, films, lectures, and slide shows; and the promotion of other cultural activities in its own theatre and elsewhere. The Heron Theatre is run entirely by unpaid volunteers.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Education/training, Arts/culture/heritage/science
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** NOT DEFINED, BUT COVERS SOUTH WESTMORLAND AND NORTH LANCASHIRE
- Cumbria
- Lancashire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-05-31	£48,691	£42,436	-	-
2024-05-31	£58,002	£46,194	-	-
2023-05-31	£49,574	£36,336	-	-
2022-05-31	£52,003	£49,692	-	-
2021-05-31	£5,926	£5,926	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
David Broadhurst	Chair	2021-09-17
Amanda Faith BINGLEY		2024-06-06
Andrew James Horton		2025-02-06
Brendan Bolland		2022-12-04
Judith Deacon		2025-11-20
Kenneth Lawson Forster		2022-10-21
Lesley Gill		2019-09-06
Marion Plowright		2024-02-05
Peter Kay		2024-10-03
Peter Mann		2021-09-17
Sandra Mary Kay		2024-10-03

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**THE HERON THEATRE
REGISTERED CHARITY NO: 501134
ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2025**

Address: Stanley Street, Beetham, Cumbria LA7 7AS.

Charity correspondent: Peter Mann, 20 Brantwood Avenue, Morecambe LA4 6HB

History

Founded in 1948 as the South Westmorland Stage and Screen Society, the organisation adopted a constitution on 11th May 1973 and gained charitable status on 19th June 1973. The name was changed to "The Heron Theatre". The constitution was adopted in June 2007 and amended in 2015, 2019 and 2024.

The Object of the Charity

The object of the Heron Theatre is the presentation of performances of drama and music as well as films, exhibitions of art and other cultural activities. The building is also available for use by the community.

Governance

The Heron Theatre is open to all people. It is licenced by Westmorland and Furness Council for the provision of public entertainment and sale of alcohol under the terms of the licencing act 2003. The trustees of the charity are the licence holders and the designated premises supervisor for the sale of alcohol is Peter Mann. The authorised capacity of the theatre is 78. The charity has a safeguarding policy that is reviewed annually.

There is a membership scheme totalling 537.

The charity is administered by a management committee for trustees elected from and by the members at the annual meeting.

In the year to May 31st 2025 the trustees were:

David Broadhurst (Chairperson)

Brendan Bolland (Treasurer)

Peter Mann (Secretary)

Amanda Bingley

Kenneth Forster

Lesley Gill

Andrew Horton (appointed 06/02/2025)

Peter Kay (appointed 03/10/2024)

Sandra Kay (appointed 03/10/ 2024)

Marion Plowright

The management committee met 11 times during the year and all meetings were quorate.

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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (continued)
for the year ended 31 May 2025**

ACCOUNTS

The accounts for the year ended 31 May 2025 are set out on pages 6 - 8.

They have been independently examined by R Musetti FCCA of Accountants for Small Business, whose report appears on page 5.

There are no liabilities. Assets comprise monetary items £63110 and non monetary assets total of £553700 (2024: £56856 and £553700).

DECLARATION

The accounts for the year ended 31 May 2025 set out on pages 6 -8 are approved by The Trustees.

David Broadhurst

4 September 2025

Chairperson



Brendan Bolland

27 August 2025

Treasurer



**THE HERON THEATRE
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF
THE HERON THEATRE**

Year ended 31 May 2025

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 May 2025 which are set out on pages 6 – 8.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act 2011.

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Act and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act;
- to follow the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Act), and - to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

In connection with my examination, no matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

the accounting records were not kept in accordance with Section 130 of the Charities Act; or the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of the accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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.

R Musetti FCCA
Accountants for Small Business
Low House Business Centre
WINDERMERE LA23 3NA



Date:

18/8/2025

**THE HERON THEATRE
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS
year ended 31 May 2025**

		2025		2024	
	Page	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	Total Funds £	Total Funds £
Total Receipts	7	48691	0	48691	58002
Total Payments	8	42436	0	42436	46194
Net Surplus for year		6255	0	6255	11808
Cash funds at 1 June 2024		56856	0	56856	45048
Cash funds at 31 May 2025		63110	0	63110	56856
Treasurer's Account		37925	0	37925	31671
COIF General Funds		14968	0	14968	14279
COIF Charities Global Equity Income Fund at cost		10752	0	10752	10906
Total Cash Funds		63110	0	63110	56856

Non Monetary Assets

The Heron Theatre and Sculpture	460000	460000
Contents	85000	85000
Car Park	8500	8500
Consumable Supplies at cost	200	200

Total Fixed Assets

£553700 £553700

Signed on behalf of the Trustees

**David Broadhurst
Chairperson**

David Broadhurst

4 September 2025

**Brendan Bolland
Treasurer**

Brendan Bolland

27 August 2025

**THE HERON THEATRE
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS
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RECEIPTS	2025		2024	
	Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Fund	Total Funds	Total Funds
General Receipts				
Membership Subscriptions	4319	0	4319	4222
Donations	160	0	160	0
Gift Aid	849	0	849	828
Gift Aid (prior year)	1121	0	1121	0
Tickets Sales	36790	0	36790	43988
Grants	1984	0	1984	1395
Refreshment Sales	3203	0	3203	3427
Investment income	265	0	265	1105
Gain or realised investment	0	0	0	3037

Total Receipts	£ 48691	0	48691	58002
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 Grants: Theatre				
WFDC	1200	0	1200	1395
3R Foundation	784	0	784	0

	£ 1984	0	1984	1395
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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS
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PAYMENTS

	Unrestricted Fund £	2025 Restricted Fund £	Total Funds £	2024 Total Funds £
General Expenditure				
Production Costs	23123	0	23123	27061
Refreshment Costs	1687	0	1687	2343
Publicity, Newsletters, etc	3427	0	3427	4461
Utilities	3604	0	3604	3384
Licenses, Theatre and Bar	917	0	917	979
Maintenance	6856	0	6856	5045
Insurance	2059	0	2059	1947
General Administration	763	0	763	974
Sundry	0	0	0	0
Total General Expenditure	42436	0	42436	46194
Total Payments	42436	0	42436	46194

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Peter Mann - Hon Secretary
Brendan Bolland - Treasurer
Ned Rowlands - Theatre Manager
Jeanette Barnes - Retired 6 December 2023
Lesley Gill
Ken Forster

Marion Plowright – Appointed 6 February 2024

Amanda Bingley – Appointed 6 June 2024

During the year ended 31 May 2024 12 meetings of the Management Committee were held. All were quorate.

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**THE HERON THEATRE
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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (continued)
for the year ended 31 May 2024**

ACCOUNTS

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They have been independently examined by R Musetti FCCA of Accountants for Small Business, whose report appears on page 5.

There are no liabilities. Assets comprise monetary items £56856 and non monetary assets total of £553700 (2023: £45048 and £553700).

DECLARATION

The accounts for the year ended 31 May 2024 set out on pages 6 -8 are approved by The Trustees.

David Broadhurst

3 July 2024

Chairperson



Brendan Bolland

3 July 2024

Treasurer



**THE HERON THEATRE
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF
THE HERON THEATRE**

Year ended 31 May 2024

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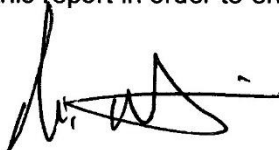
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R Musetti FCCA
Accountants for Small Business
Low House Business Centre
WINDERMERE LA23 3NA



Date: 30/7/2024

**THE HERON THEATRE
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS
year ended 31 May 2024**

		2024		2023	
	Page	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	Total Funds £	Total Funds £
Total Receipts	7	58002	0	58002	49574
Total Payments	8	46194	0	46194	36336
Net Surplus for year		11808	0	11808	13238
Cash funds at 1 June 2023		45048	0	45048	31820
Cash funds at 31 May 2024		56856	0	56856	45048
Cash funds at 31 May 2024					
Treasurer's Account		31671	0	31671	23810
COIF General Funds		14279	0	14279	13369
COIF Charities Global Equity Income Fund at cost		10906	0	10906	7869
Total Cash Funds		56856	0	56856	45048

Non Monetary Assets

The Heron Theatre and Sculpture	460000	460000
Contents	85000	85000
Car Park	8500	8500
Consumable Supplies at cost	200	200

Total Fixed Assets **£553700** **£553700**

Signed on behalf of the Trustees

David Broadhurst
Chairperson



3 July 2024

Brendan Bolland
Treasurer



3 July 2024

**THE HERON THEATRE
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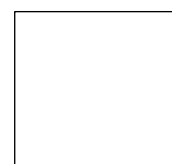
RECEIPTS	2024		2023	
	Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Fund	Total Funds	Total Funds
General Receipts				
Membership Subscriptions	4222	0	4222	3942
Donations	0	0	0	100
Gift Aid	828	0	828	752
Tickets Sales	43988	0	43988	40666
Grants	1395	0	1395	1800
Refreshment Sales	3427	0	3427	2024
Investment income	1105	0	1105	289
Gain or realised investment	3037	0	3037	0
Total Receipts	£ 58002	0	58002	49574
Grants: Theatre				
SLDC	1395	0	1395	1200
Piano	0	0	0	600
	£ 1395	0	1395	1800

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS
Year ended 31 May 2024

PAYMENTS

	Unrestricted Fund £	2024 Restricted Fund £	Total Funds £	2023 Total Funds £
General Expenditure				
Production Costs	27061	0	27061	21673
Refreshment Costs	2343	0	2343	1385
Publicity, Newsletters, etc	4461	0	4461	1807
Utilities	3384	0	3384	3099
Licenses, Theatre and Bar	979	0	979	188
Maintenance	5045	0	5045	3624
Insurance	1947	0	1947	1865
General Administration	974	0	974	1520
Sundry	0	0	0	1175
Total General Expenditure	46194	0	46194	36336

Total Payments	46194	0	46194	36336
	46194	0	46194	36336



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The Charity's correspondent is Peter Mann, 20 Brantwood Avenue, Morecambe, LA4 6HB.

Founded in 1948, the organisation was named "South Westmorland Stage and Screen Society", governed by a constitution adopted on 11 May 1973.

Amendments across the years have included a change of name to "The Heron Theatre" and the current consolidated version was updated on 3 November 2015.

Charitable Status was granted on 19 June 1973. The Charity is administered by a committee of Trustees appointed annually at the Annual General Meeting.

During the year ended 31 May 2023, the following were Trustees:

David Broadhurst	- Chairperson	(Jenny Marks retired 21/10/22)
Peter Mann	- Hon Secretary	
Brendan Bolland	- Treasurer	(Andy Smith retired 21/10/22)
Ned Rowlands	- Theatre Manager	
Jeanette Barnes		
Stuart Newton	(retired 21/10/22)	
Ginny Scott	(retired 21/10/22)	
Margaret Hesmondhalgh	(retired 21/10/22)	
Marion Douthwaite	(retired 21/10/22)	
Lesley Gill		
Ken Forster	(from 21/10/22)	

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DECLARATION

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David Broadhurst

6 September 2023

Chairperson

Brendan Bolland

6 September 2023

Treasurer

**THE HERON THEATRE
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R Musetti FCCA
Accountants for Small Business
Low House Business Centre
WINDERMERE LA23 3NA

6 September 2023

**THE HERON THEATRE
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS
year ended 31 May 2023**

			2023		2022
	Page	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	Total Funds £	Total Funds £
Total Receipts	7	49574	0	49574	52003
Total Payments	8	36336	0	36336	49692
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Net Surplus for year		13238	0	13238	2311
Cash funds at 1 June 2022		31820	0	31820	29509
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Cash funds at 31 May 2023		45048	0	45048	31820
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Cash funds at 31 May 2023					
Treasurer's Account		23810	0	23810	23102
COIF General Funds		13369	0	13369	849
COIF Charities Global Equity Income Fund at cost		7869	0	7869	7869
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Total Cash Funds		45048	0	45048	31820
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Non Monetary Assets

The Heron Theatre and Sculpture	460000	460000
Content	85000	85000
Car Park	8500	8500
Consumable Supplies at cost	200	200

Total Fixed Assets	£553700	£553700
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Signed on behalf of the Trustees

David Broadhurst
Chairperson

6 September 2023

Brendan Bolland
Treasurer

6 September 2023

**THE HERON THEATRE
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS
Year ended 31 May 2023**

RECEIPTS	2023		2022	
	Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Fund	Total Funds	Total Funds
General Receipts				
Membership Subscriptions	3942	0	3942	3642
Donations	100	0	100	8505
Gift Aid	752	0	752	726
Tickets Sales	38496	0	38496	14918
Grants	1800	0	1800	20149
Refreshment Sales	2024	0	2024	909
Exhibition Sales	2170	0	2170	154
Other Income	0	0	0	320
Sundry	0	0	0	369
Investment income	289	0	289	442
Gain or realised investment	0	0	0	1869

Total Receipts	£ 49574	0	49574	52003
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Grants: Theatre				
SLDC	1200	0	1200	900
SLDC: Covid **	0	0	0	17249
Cumbria County Council	0	0	0	2000
Piano	600	0	600	0

** 2022: including £6582 brought forward from 2021

£	1800	0	1800	20149
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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS
Year ended 31 May 2023

PAYMENTS

	Unrestricted Fund £	2023 Restricted Fund £	Total Funds £	2022 Total Funds £
General Expenditure				
Production Costs	19941	0	19941	7795
Refreshment Costs	1385	0	1385	292
Exhibition Payments	1732	0	1732	0
Publicity, Newsletters, etc	1807	0	1807	916
Utilities	3099	0	3099	2057
Licenses, Theatre and Bar	188	0	188	70
Maintenance	3624	0	3624	2653
Insurance	1865	0	1865	1860
General Administration	1520	0	1520	630
Sundry	1175	0	1175	123
Total General Expenditure	36336	0	36336	16396
Property and Theatre **	0	0	0	33296
Total Payments	36336	0	36336	49692

** 2022: Purchase & Installation of new ventilation system 32996
Purchase of Card Readers 300

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Jenny Marks	- Chairperson		
Peter Mann	- Hon Secretary	- Jim McQueen	(Retired -17/09/21)
Andy Smith	- Hon Treasurer	- Philip Bright	(Retired -17/09/21)
Ned Rowlands	- Theatre Manager	- Ian Kenyon	(Retired -17/09/21)
Jeanette Barnes			
Stuart Newton			
Ginny Scott			
Margaret Hesmondhalgh			
Marion Douthwaite			
Lesley Gill			
David Broadhurst			

During the year ended 31 May 2022 a reduced number of Management Committee meetings were held online. An average of 9 members were present.

The object of the Heron Theatre is to present to the public dramatic and kindred arts by means of the production of dramatic and musical performances, films, lectures, slideshows and the promotion of other cultural activities in its own Theatre and elsewhere. These rely on the voluntary services and talents of its members who number approximately 400, and upon the contributions of visiting Theatre and music groups including professional companies. Membership is open to all without any form of discrimination. The Heron Theatre is licensed by South Lakeland District Council for the provision of public entertainment and sale of alcohol under the terms of the Licensing Act 2003. The Trustees are the Premises License Holders. The Personal License Holder nominated as Designated Premises Supervisor for the sale of alcohol is Jim McQueen. In the interests of public safety both these licenses are subject to stringent rules and regular inspections. The authorised audience capacity is 81.

**THE HERON THEATRE
REGISTERED CHARITY NO: 501134
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (continued)
for the year ended 31 May 2022**

The Theatre closed on 14 March 2020 due to the Covid 19 pandemic, and was still closed on both 31 May 2020 and 31 May 2021.

The Theatre reopened in February 2022 after the installation of a new ventilation system and a thorough cleaning exercise. While most of the costs of maintaining the Theatre continued to be met throughout the financial year, income was restricted to the four months: February - May, when the Theatre was open.

ACCOUNTS

The accounts for the year ended 31 May 2022 are set out on pages 6 - 8.

They have been independently examined by R Musetti FCCA of Accountants for Small Business, whose report appears on page 5.

There are no liabilities. Assets comprise monetary items £31820 and non monetary assets totalling £553700 (2021: £29501 and £543182).

A current account is maintained at Cumberland Building Society. Monies not immediately required are deposited with the Charities Official Investment Fund COIF, and funds in excess are invested in COIF Charities Global Equity Income Fund.

£15000 @ cost as at May 2021. Market value - 31 May 2021 £18720. £7131 was sold in March 2022 leaving £7869 @ cost as at 31 May 2022. Market value - £9553

DECLARATION

The accounts for the year ended 31 May 2022 set out on pages 6 -8 are approved by The Trustees.

Jenny Marks

21 October 2022

Chairperson

Andy Smith

21 October 2022

Hon Treasurer

**THE HERON THEATRE
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF
THE HERON THEATRE**

Year ended 31 May 2022

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 May 2022 which are set out on pages 6 – 8.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act 2011.

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Act and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act;
- to follow the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Act), and - to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

In connection with my examination, no matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

the accounting records were not kept in accordance with Section 130 of the Charities Act: or • the accounts did not accord with the accounting records: or the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of the accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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.

R Musetti FCCA
Accountants for Small Business
Low House Business Centre
WINDERMERE LA23 3NA

21 October 2022

**THE HERON THEATRE
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS
year ended 31 May 2022**

		2022			2021
	Page	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	Total Funds £	Total Funds £
Total Receipts	7	52003	0	52003	5,926
Total Payments	8	49692	0	49692	5,926
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Net Surplus for year		2311	0	2311	0
Cash funds at 1 June 2021		29509	0	29509	29509
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Cash funds at 31 May 2022		31820	0	31820	29509
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Cash funds at 31 May 2022					
Treasurer's Account		23102	0	23102	3246
COIF General Funds		849	0	849	11263
COIF Charities Global Equity Income Fund at cost		7869	0	7869	15000
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Total Cash Funds		31820	0	31820	29509
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Non Monetary Assets

The Heron Theatre and Sculpture Content	460000	443000
Car Park	85000	85000
Consumable Supplies at cost	8500	8500
Unearned Covid Grant	200	100
	0	6582
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Total Fixed Assets	£553700	£543182
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Signed on behalf of the Trustees

Jenny Marks	21 October	2022
Chairperson		

Andy Smith	21 October	2022
Hon Treasurer		

**THE HERON THEATRE
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS
Year ended 31 May 2022**

RECEIPTS	2022		2021	
	Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Fund	Total Funds	Total Funds
General Receipts				
Membership Subscriptions	3642	0	3642	3182
Donations (including appeal)	8505	0	8505	0
Gift Aid	726	0	726	737
Tickets Sales: Theatre	9468	0	9468	0
Ticket Sales: Film	1202	0	1202	0
Ticket sales: Music Events	4248	0	4248	0
Grants: THeatre	20149	0	20149	1347
Refreshment Sales	909	0	909	0
Exhibition Sales	154	0	154	0
Lettings Income	320	0	320	160
Interest	5	0	5	8
Sundry	369	0	369	0
Investment income	437	0	437	492
Gain or realised investment	1869	0	1869	0
Total Receipts	£ 52003	0	52003	5926

Grants: Theatre				
SLDC	900	0	900	600
SLDC: Covid **	17249	0	17249	747
Cumbria County Council	2000	0	2000	0

** including £6582 brought forward from 2021

£	20149	0	20149	1347
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THE HERON THEATRE
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS
Year ended 31 May 2022

PAYMENTS

	Unrestricted Fund £	2022 Restricted Fund £	Total Funds £	2021 Total Funds £
General Expenditure				
Production Costs: Theatre	4385	0	4385	0
Production Costs: Film	533	0	533	0
Production Costs: Music	2877	0	2877	0
Refreshment Costs	292	0	292	0
Exhibition Payments	0	0	0	0
Publicity, Newsletters, etc	916	0	916	34
Telephone	676	0	676	899
Licenses, Theatre and Bar	70	0	70	415
Gas, Water and Electricity	1381	0	1381	1205
Maintenance	2653	0	2653	889
Insurance	1860	0	1860	2124
General Administration	630	0	630	101
Sundry	123	0	123	259

Total General Expenditure	16396	0	16396	5926
Capital Expenditure				
Property and Theatre **	33296	0	33296	0

Total Payments	£49692	0	49692	5926
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**Purchase & Installation of new ventilation system	32996
Purchase of Card Readers	300

	£ 33296
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