

Hollywood Music Festival

Northern Ireland · Charity number 102098

Details

Known as	HMF
Status	Received
Registered	2015-06-01
Register	View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register

Contact

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Activities

Purposes: The objectives of the Festival are to encourage the study, cultivation and promotion of the Performing Art of Music and such other Performing Arts as may be determined by the Committee and for those purposes to hold one or more Festivals in each year as the Committee may determine and for any of those purposes to conduct such fund raising activities as the Committee may determine.

What the charity does: The advancement of education, The advancement of citizenship or community development, The advancement of the arts, culture, heritage or science

How the charity works: Arts, Community development, Education/training, Volunteer development

Who the charity helps: Children (5-13 year olds), Volunteers, Youth (14-25 year olds)

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-02-28	£13,932	£11,388	£0	0

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Debbie West		
Florence Findlay White		
Gillian Pitt		
Hilary Warnock (Chair)		
Jane Fox-Roberts		
Kim Marston		
Liz Duggan		
Marianne Underwood (Hon. Sec.)		
Michael Harris		
Mr John West (Hon. Treasurer)		
Wei Jing Goh		

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Accounts

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2024 £
INCOMING RESOURCES				
Fund raising events	2	718	718	674
Grants	2	4,000	4,000	3,400
Admission fees & programmes		2,883	2,883	2,789
Entry fees		4,329	4,329	3,767
Advertising		100	100	100
Donations	2	1,903	1,903	2,155
		<u>13,932</u>	<u>13,932</u>	<u>12,885</u>
EXPENDITURE				
Hire of halls	3	1,821	1,821	2,056
Adjudicators' fees & expenses		3,463	3,463	2,467
Awards		2,245	2,245	2,135
Trophies		100	100	195
Accompanist's fees & expenses		1,449	1,449	1,702
Music & piano expenses		840	840	640
Membership, conference fees & insurance		610	610	350
IT expenses		16	16	16
Postage & Stationery		178	178	-
Printing & Festival Admin	3	430	430	825
Miscellaneous	3	177	177	383
Accountancy Fees		60	60	240
		<u>11,388</u>	<u>11,388</u>	<u>11,009</u>

SURPLUS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR 2,544 2,544 1,876

Accumulated Surplus of Income over Expenditure carried forward at 1 March 2024 12,118 12,118 10,242

SURPLUS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE AT 28 February 2025 14,662 14,662 12,118

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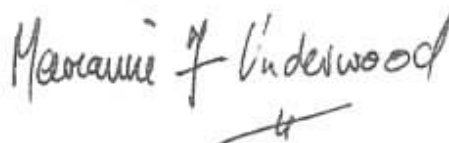
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Balance Sheet
as at 28 February 2025

	2025 £	2024 £
Current assets		
Bank Balances - Ulsterbank	14,662	12,323
Prepayment	-	555
Other Debtors	600	680
	<u>15,462</u>	<u>13,558</u>
Financed by:-		
FUNDS EMPLOYED		
Unrestricted funds	14,662	12,118
Accruals & Deferred Income	800	1,440
	<u>15,462</u>	<u>13,558</u>

The financial statements were approved by the board of trustees at the AGM on 29th April 2025 and signed on their behalf by:-

Trustee 

Trustee 

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HOLYWOOD MUSIC FESTIVAL
Income and Expenditure Account
for the year ended 29 February 2024

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	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
INCOMING RESOURCES				
Fund raising events	2	674	674	1,627
Grants	2	3,400	3,400	3,900
Admission fees & programmes		2,789	2,789	2,570
Entry fees		3,767	3,767	3,528
Advertising		100	100	100
Donations	2	2,155	2,155	2,704
		<u>12,885</u>	<u>12,885</u>	<u>14,429</u>
EXPENDITURE				
Hire of halls	3	2,056	2,056	2,066
Adjudicators' fees & expenses		2,467	2,467	3,053
Awards		2,135	2,135	2,258
Trophies		195	195	82
Accompanist's fees & expenses		1,702	1,702	1,325
Music & piano expenses		640	640	1,196
Membership, conference fees & insurance		350	350	435
IT expenses		16	16	167
Postage & Stationery		-	-	85
Printing & Festival Admin	3	825	825	790
Miscellaneous	3	383	383	252
Accountancy Fees		240	240	280
Gala expenses		-	-	138
		<u>11,009</u>	<u>11,009</u>	<u>12,127</u>
SURPLUS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR				
Accumulated Surplus of Income over		1,876	1,876	2,302
Expenditure carried forward at 1 March 2023		10,242	10,242	7,940
SURPLUS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE AT 29 February 2024				
		<u>12,118</u>	<u>12,118</u>	<u>10,242</u>

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Annual report

Trustees' Report

The Trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 29 February 2024.

Principal Objectives and activities

Objectives

Hollywood Music Festival seeks to

- Promote and nurture the study and performance of all music genres.
- Provide opportunities for musicians of all kinds to perform, compete for awards, and receive feedback from experienced independent adjudicators.
- Build self-confidence and self-esteem in all our performers.
- Celebrate the diversity within our local communities.
- Deliver a positive and inclusive environment for all.

Activities

The Trustees have taken note of the guidance relating to public benefit issued by the Charity Commission and have undertaken the following main activities in relation to these objects:

- Making preparations for, publicising and organising a music festival in Hollywood
- Inviting applications to take part in the festival from all those wishing to enter, regardless of their backgrounds or beliefs
- Offering opportunities for music makers of all kinds and standards to enter, perform and receive feedback
- Ensuring that each session of the festival is open to members of the public who are interested in attending, and seeing, hearing and enjoying the performances
- Recruiting and deploying experienced and knowledgeable adjudicators and skilled accompanists
- Ensuring that appropriate arrangements are in place for safeguarding
- Deploying people who volunteer to help, especially as stewards.

The preparation, organisation and overall management of each annual festival depends entirely on the work done, and the time given, by a large number of volunteers, all of them members of the local community. Those who agree to become members of the committee and/or to serve as stewards deserve special mention.

Achievements and performance

It is the view of the Trustees that the fundamental aims and objectives of the Festival were achieved in the year ending 29 February 2024.

- Another very successful Festival was delivered in November 2023 spread across several days and several venues in and around Hollywood. There were over 500 hundred entries with over 650 young people performing as individuals, groups, orchestras and choirs.
 - The adjudicators appointed for the Festival and the accompanists who supported a large number of entrants proved themselves to be excellent in every way, contributing immeasurably to the Festival's success
 - As part of our Festival's ongoing outreach to our local communities, this year we provided funding to St Patrick's Primary School, Hollywood for transport to the Festival, and we visited Hydebank Young Offenders Centre in Belfast to adjudicate a performance from their choir.
 - Our volunteers continue to play a critically important role in enabling the Festival to operate so smoothly.
- Thanks to careful management, the support of Ards & North Down Borough Council, and other sponsorship detailed below, and the committee's fund-raising activities, the Festival committee's financial and other resources ended the year in a sound and secure position.
- Above all, the Festival achieved its most important objective, which was to give musicians of all kinds, most of them quite young, the opportunity to perform in front of live audiences, see and hear what their peers perform and have the informed and encouraging guidance and advice of experienced independent adjudicators. Feedback from entrants was very positive, with so many delighted to have been given the chance to perform.
- The Committee is pleased to note that the wide diversity of ethnic backgrounds entering the festival continues.

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Annual return

**Independent examiner's report
to the Trustees of HOLYWOOD MUSIC FESTIVAL**

I report on the financial statements of Holywood Music Festival (or "the charity") for the financial year ended 29 February 2024, which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and the related notes.

Respective responsibilities of directors and examiner

As the charity trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 as amended by the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2022 where applicable. Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under charity law, and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 ('the Charities Act') as amended by the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2022 where applicable;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

I have examined the charity accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and my examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act.

The examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

An independent examination does not involve gathering all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently does not cover all the matters that an auditor considers in giving their opinion on the accounts. The planning and conduct of an audit go beyond the limited assurance that an independent examination can provide. Consequently, I express no opinion as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and my report is limited to those specific matters set out in the independent examiner's statement.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me reasonable cause to believe:

1. That accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 as amended by the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2022 where applicable;
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records;
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act and principles of the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 using the Receipts and Payments method.
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.

Mr Jonathan McNeill
For and on behalf of
PGR Chartered Accountants
Unit 2 Channel Wharf
21 Old Channel Road
Belfast
BT3 9DE

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Accounts

HOLLYWOOD MUSIC FESTIVAL
Income and Expenditure Account
for the year ended 28 February 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2022 £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Fund raising events	2	1,627	-	1,627	871
Grants	2	3,900	-	3,900	4,000
Admission fees & programmes		2,570	-	2,570	1,702
Entry fees		3,528	-	3,528	2,842
Advertising		100	-	100	50
Donations	2	2,704	-	2,704	2,030
Funding for awards		-	-	-	500
		<u>14,429</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>14,429</u>	<u>11,995</u>
EXPENDITURE					
Hire of halls	3	2,066	-	2,066	1,598
Adjudicators' fees & expenses		3,053	-	3,053	2,517
Awards		2,258	-	2,258	2,189
Trophies		82	-	82	-
Accompanist's fees & expenses		1,325	-	1,325	1,028
Music & piano expenses		1,196	-	1,196	1,600
Run my Festival		-	-	-	281
Membership, conference fees & insurance		435	-	435	355
IT expenses		167	-	167	16
Printing & Festival Admin	3	790	-	790	636
Postage & stationery		85	-	85	76
Cleaning		-	-	-	100
Bank charges		-	-	-	87
Miscellaneous	3	252	-	252	67
Accountancy Fees		280	-	280	-
Gala expenses		138	-	138	-
		<u>12,127</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>12,127</u>	<u>10,550</u>
SURPLUS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR					
Accumulated Surplus of Income over		2,302	-	2,302	1,445
Expenditure carried forward at 1 March 2022		7,890	50	7,940	6,495
SURPLUS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE AT 28 February 2023					
		<u>10,192</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>10,242</u>	<u>7,940</u>

HOLLYWOOD MUSIC FESTIVAL


Balance Sheet

as at 28 February 2023

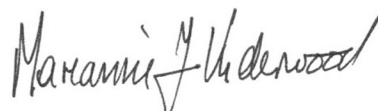
	2023 £	2022 £
Current assets		
Bank Balances - Ulsterbank	11,143	7,891
Prepayment	259	-
Other Debtors	680	800
	<u>12,082</u>	<u>8,691</u>
Financed by:-		
FUNDS EMPLOYED		
Unrestricted funds	10,192	7,890
Restricted funds	50	50
Other Creditors	-	551
Accruals & Deferred Income	1,840	200
	<u>12,082</u>	<u>8,691</u>

The financial statements were approved by the board of trustees at the AGM on 4th April 2023 and signed on their behalf by:-

Trustee



Trustee



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Hollywood Music Festival : Trustees' Report

Financial review

The Trustees are fully satisfied with the results of year and with the overall financial position at 28 February 2023 and are particularly grateful to John West for his role in ensuring that the committee's resources were – and continue to be – so well managed.

It has been – and remains - one of the Trustees' main aims to end each financial year with a healthy bank balance as this is what enables the committee to plan for the next Festival in advance of receiving any income and it is pleasing to note that at 28 February 2023 this balance stood at £11,143.96.

The principal sources of funds in 2022-2023 were as follows:

- Fund-raising events organised and run by members of the committee.
- Entry fees paid by or on behalf of those taking part in the Festival with a minimal increase since January 2022 Festival
- Admission charges paid by those attending the Festival's sessions - no increase since January 2022
- Sponsorship from one company - Morton's Flour
- A grant from Enkalon Trust
- A grant from the Ards and North Down Borough Council's Multi-Annual Festival Fund
- Generous personal donations from supporters Michael D'Arcy, Peter Yarr and Ken McNally

The funds raised were spent mainly on the following:

- Hire of venues
- Printing of syllabuses and programmes
- Fees and expenses paid to adjudicators and accompanists
- Hire and tuning of pianos.
- Run My Festival software
- Funding for awards

The Festival Committee and Trustees have no investments.

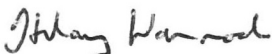
Structure, governance and management

The Festival's governing guide is its constitution, last amended on 18th August 2022. A copy is lodged with the Northern Ireland Charity Commission.

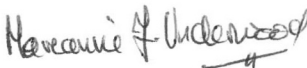
The constitution sets out the charity's aims and purposes, its structures and the roles and responsibilities of its officers, as well as the arrangements for holding an annual general meeting. It also provides for the charitable trust's affairs to be administered and managed by the Festival's Committee, including its officers, all members being elected at each annual general meeting.

The Festival is a member of and registered with the British and International Federation of Festivals and the Northern Ireland Federation of Festivals, bodies which provide guidance, information and advice about a range of issues association with running a festival. The British and International Federation also provides the Festival's insurance and lists of approved and registered adjudicators.

The Festival's Trustees are elected at each annual general meeting in April.



Hilary Warnock
Chairman of the Festival



Marianne Underwood
Honorary Secretary

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For and on behalf of

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