

**THE HERON THEATRE
REGISTERED CHARITY NO: 501134**

**TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2024**

The Theatre's premises are The Heron Theatre, a listed building located in Stanley Street, Beetham, Cumbria LA7 7AS. The premises are available for hire at reasonable cost to other societies and organisations within the community.

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 2024, the following were Trustees:

David Broadhurst - Chairperson
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.

The object of the Heron Theatre is to present dramatic and musical performances, films, lectures, art exhibitions and the promotion of other cultural activities. These rely on the voluntary services and talents of its members who number approximately 480, and upon the contributions of visiting theatre and music groups. Membership is open to all. The Heron Theatre is licensed by South Lakeland and Furness 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 Peter Mann. In the interests of public safety both these licenses are subject to stringent rules and regular inspections. The authorised audience capacity is 78.

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

ACCOUNTS

The accounts for the year ended 31 May 2024 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 £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

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 May 2024 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.

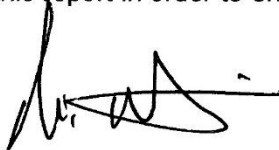
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

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: 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
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS
Year ended 31 May 2024**

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
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