

Making the difference by enhancing lives
through art

Trustee Recruitment Pack

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About ACE

We are a registered charity based in Somerton in Somerset. ACE, Art Care Education was founded in 2016.

Our primary aims are to provide art and creative activity to inspire, empower and enable people to develop and grow, and to preserve the Old Town Hall as an exhibition space for the benefit of the local community.

ACEarts

ACEarts is run by the charity ACE, which opened in the historic Old Town Hall in 2017. The diverse and inspiring exhibition programme forms the basis of our community engagement art projects working with groups, local schools and elders.

We have a small team consisting of 1 full time and 4 part time staff.



Currently , we have a Board consisting of 5 trustees. We are looking for new trustees to join us and work with our experienced board. We would ask for your time a mimium of 7 days per year and for you to commit to a 3 year tenure, renewable by agreement. You will be supporting the growth of the charity and contributing to the local community.

We are proud to:

- give a warm welcome to 20,000+ visitors per year
- hold 15-20 varied and inspiring exhibitons per year
- showcase over 100 local artists work in our gallery shop
- support emerging artists at the beginning of their career
- mentor artists to enable them to hold their first solo exhibition
- deliver high quality creative workshops
- provide creative sessions in schools and community spaces
- promote positive mental health through creative wellbeing sessions.



Based in the heart of Somerton, showcasing local and national artists work, ACEarts is dedicated to promoting artists and makers, and aims to showcase and support local artisans through our contemporary craft shop.

How we do what we do

Much of our outreach work in the community relies on us actively fundraising, with all donations helping to fund our education programme.

We are proud of our light and airy gallery spaces, where we hold professionally curated exhibitions.



What is the value and impact of our work?

from January - April 2022 we:

- welcomed 8000+ visitors
- showcased 100 local artists work
- planned 20 exhibitions
- supported 16 emerging artists
- provided educational talks for 120 members of the community
- held 40 creative activity sessions in the gallery space
- provided 100 opportunities for family friendly learning
- hosted 90 school children in the gallery
- programmed 90 creative activity sessions outside the gallery



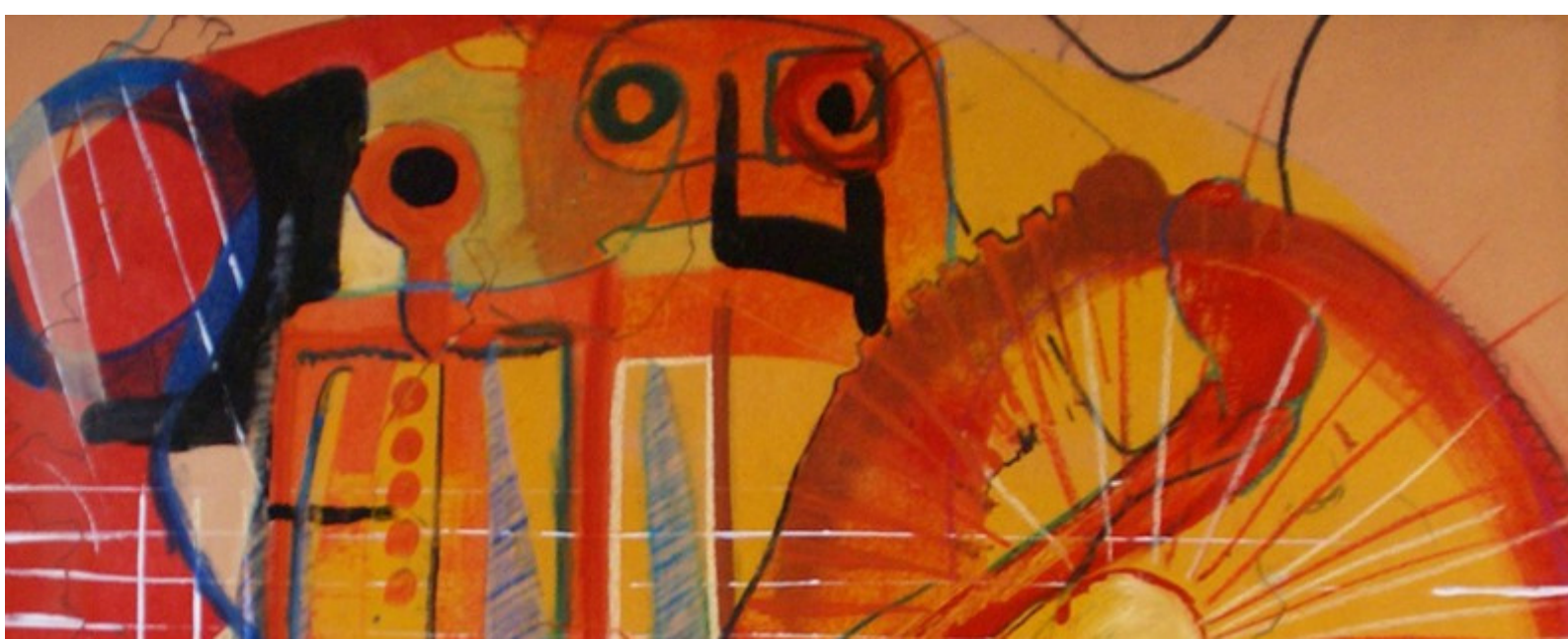
Who are we looking for?

Currently we have a board of 5 trustees. We are looking for new trustees to join us and work with our experienced team.

You may have previous experience or none at all and we welcome both. If you haven't had previous board experience, we can offer support, pairing you with an existing board member to help guide you through the process.

We are looking for people from different backgrounds and you may be looking for a new challenge, to gain experience or because you have something valuable to offer us like a particular skill or expertise.

Most importantly you share our values and goals, have an interest in the Arts and the community that we serve.



There are practical and legal duties we will ask you to fulfil:

- ensure compliance with all legal requirements
- approval of the annual budget
- support the appointment of new staff
- approval of all policy documents for the charity
- advocate for us with supporters and introduce contacts to ACE, for the benefit of the charity, community and participants
- ensure we remain on track and stay true to the organisations vision and mission.

In addition each trustee should use any specific skill, knowledge or expertise they have to help the board of trustees reach sound decisions. This may involve scrutinising board papers, leading discussions, focusing on key issues and the financial stability of the charity, providing advice and guidance.

ACE values representation and strives to promote equality and diversity at all levels.



What are we looking for ?

- A commitment to the organisation
- A willingness to devote the necessary time and effort
- strategic vision
- good, independent judgement
- an ability to think creatively
- culturally aware
- a willingness to speak their mind
- an understanding and acceptance of the legal duties, responsibilities and liabilities of trusteeship or a willingness to learn
- an ability to work effectively as a member of a team
- empathetic
- a commitment to our values

Terms of service:

The trustee roles are voluntary and unpaid - we can however cover access costs and travel expenses.

We would ask for your time as a minimum of 7 days a year and commit to a 3-year tenure.

How to apply

For an informal discussion around the trustee role, please contact our Gallery Manager at ACEarts- Nina Gronw-Lewis at hello@acearts.co.uk

Submit a copy of your CV and supporting statement explaining what you would bring to ACE and why you are interested in the role to Nina Gronw-Lewis, hello@acearts.co.uk

Alternatively, send in up to 5 minutes of film describing more about yourself, your skills and experience, why you would like to join us and what you could bring to the role.

