

LISA ULLMANN TRAVELLING SCHOLARSHIP FUND
Supporting individual journeys in movement and dance

Annual Report

1st April 2011 - 31st March 2012

Constitution	Unincorporated Association
Governing Document	Trust Deed dated 27th July 1987
Registered Charity No.	297684
Trustees	Anna Carlisle, MA MBE Alysoun Tomkins MA Judith Chapman PhD B.J. Lewis PhD
Registered Address	c/o The Secretary, Breach Kilminster Devon EX13 7ST
Independent Examiner	V. Larcombe
Bankers	Lloyds Bank CAF

The OBJECT of the Charity, as laid down in the constitution, is to provide assistance to students and practitioners of Movement and Dance in the UK for travel expenses (by

The Constitution allows for: 4 officers/trustees, up to 7 Management Committee members and, when necessary, co-opted members. In 2011/12, Shelley Saint-Smith and Sue Smith stepped down on fulfillment of their terms of office. Theresa Beattie also retired but offered to act in a consultative capacity in relation to the Selection process. Pam Anderton and Maggie Killingbeck were welcomed from their roles as co-opted members to full voting membership. Sara Reed and Denni Sayers were elected full members of the Management Committee in September 2011 and December 2011 respectively. In total, there are currently 11 members of the Management Committee, bringing it to full strength. There are currently no co-opted members.

PATRONS

We are delighted to announce an increase in the number of Patrons. Gillian Lynne, CBE. Akram Khan MBE and Wayne McGregor CBE have all accepted the role of Patron to the Lisa Ullmann Travelling Scholarship Fund.

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 2011 - 2012

Applications received:	85 3 ineligible
Scholarships awarded:	24
Total sum applied for:	£55,456
Budget for 2011-2012	£10,000 - £15,000
Sum allocated	£14,833

Assigned awards::

Gillian Lynne - Melanie Brierley, Tenika Mahoney, Fiona Wright

Annie Collins - Iris Tomlinson, Ithalia Forel

Vivien Gear Memorial Scholarship - Dora Frankel

The projects funded highlight the policy of LUTSF to support a diverse range of journeys and to assist individuals at different stages in their careers to travel to enrich their practice and pursue a personal passion. The calibre of the 85 applicants was of an excellent standard again this year and the process of selection continued to be competitive. This year the budget was increased to a maximum of £15,000 and so the

number of awards was increased:- 24 this year compared with 19 in both 2010/11 and 2009/10.

Applications were received from a wide range of age groups, covering a spread from 19 - 65 years, with the highest percentage (just over half) of applicants in the 30 years and under category. Although applications from male dancers this year numbered 8, only one was awarded a scholarship.

The successful applications included a range of movement specialisms and dance styles:-

Japanese Butoh dance, performance, choreography, Indian dance, dance therapy, ballet, free-running Parkour, Ashtanga yoga, community dance, dance production and dance aesthetics and projects relating to Parkinson' s disease.

Projects for 2011/2012 include:- (full list available on the website)

Liverpool to Brazil to gain knowledge of Afro-Brazilian folkloric dance to share with the city community via carnival workshops.

Newcastle-upon-Tyne to Sweden to attend the conference: " Ballet: Why and How' in order to engage with changes and developments in international practice.

Cumbria to New York to extend experience and share working practices in relation to Parkinson' s disease

Birmingham to Bangalura, India to expand technical knowledge and choreographic skills

London to Los Angeles to undertake a summer course as a basis for developing a free-running Parkour movement training programme

Brighton to Taiwan to participate in an inter-cultural community dance project as guest Artist-in-Residence

A total of £14,833. has been awarded to the 24 winners. Of the 24, 12 were under 30 years, 9 between 31 and 50 and 3 awardees were between 51 and 65. 23 awardees were female and 1 male, showing a slight drop in male scholarship winners from last year.

Geographical spread was excellent with 7 awardees coming from London, 4 from the

North East, 3 from the South West, 4 from the Midlands, 2 from the South East, 2 from the North and 2 from Wales. Only one was received from the East and none from Ireland.

LUTSF gratefully acknowledges the support of Gillian Lynne, CBE, the late Annie Collins and the late Vivien Gear as well as many individual donors. The Management Committee would like to congratulate scholarship winners and is delighted that the Fund is able to make so many exciting projects possible.

ADMINISTRATION OF AWARDS

Tickets continue to be purchased by LUTSF on behalf of scholarship winners through Key Travel, the company which deals solely with charities.

SELECTION PROCEDURE

The decision to request that applicants enclose one reference with their application form has proved to be very helpful. Further discussion is in process to clarify criteria for selection in the coming year. The number of applications received in 2012 was consistent with last year, with many applications arriving in the four days prior to the closing date.

The feasibility of online applications has been addressed. However, it is considered that paper applications are the most reliable method of processing to date.

SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS REPORTS

Scholarship winners are contacted by the Secretary on their return from their travels to welcome them back and to remind them that a report of their project is required within two months. In general, reports are received on time and all reports for 2011/2012 are posted on our website as they are received. Reports outstanding from 2010/11 were eventually received.

PUBLICITY

The website continues to be the major source of LUTSF publicity. It provides access to

information about the Fund, lists and analyses of scholarships awarded over the years and advice to applicants. Reports by scholarship winners are published on the website and are a valuable source of information for potential applicants, donors and others.

We are pleased to announce that the website has been re-designed and updated with the inclusion of a greater range of photographs recording key experiences of the journeys and projects undertaken by our scholarship winners. The new website will go on line in April 2012. Two main Press releases are sent out each year, one in April announcing the names of the scholarship winners for 2012 -13, a second in the autumn announcing that the Application Form is available on the website and publishing the closing date for the applications. In January, a reminder of the closing date is circulated.

FINANCES

The accounts for the year ended 31st March 2012 show that our income was higher than expected due to unanticipated large donations and a legacy. Expenditure on scholarship winners was less than expected as a number of their tickets were purchased in either the financial year before or the financial year after this year. At the end of the financial year we had around £77,233 in our various bank accounts and, taking into account of the gift aid rebate due on donations, we ended the financial year with a loss of only £52.

As in previous years, committee members have borne much of the administrative costs themselves, although secretarial expenses appeared high this year as they were an accumulation of expenses over a number of years.

THE FINANCE AND FUND-RAISING COMMITTEE

A review of the sub-committee, Finance and Fund-raising has resulted in a revised brief and the committee has been renamed Fund-raising and Friends. This review is on-

going.

The annual e-news and printed newsletter, highlighting a range of scholarship winners, news of new Patrons, changes in the personnel of the Fund and items of interest to LUTSF supporters, continues to be successfully published and sent out to donors, Friends and scholarship winners.

Anna Carlisle Chair LUTSF

December, 2012

LIST OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS

President: Dr. Geraldine Stephenson

Voting members: Pam Anderton
Christopher Benstead
Anna Carlisle
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Cindy Gower
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