



AGBI



Impact Report **2015 - 2016**

Welcome to the Artists' General Benevolent Institution (AGBI) 2015 - 2016 Impact Report

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Welcome to the AGBI's first Impact Report

For many years the AGBI produced an Annual Report including the trustees' report, the auditors' report, commentary on the main achievements and challenges the AGBI faced, the audited accounts and financial summary. The feedback we received from our major stakeholders, stewards and donors was that this format was wordy and the main points regarding our grant giving programme were hard to find.

Therefore, this year we have produced an Impact Report to highlight our main achievements and information on our stewards and donors.

The Annual Report will be available on our website in October 2016 or you can request a paper version from the office.

We hope that our new Impact Report promotes the work of the AGBI in a more concise and modern way.

The AGBI makes a demonstrable difference to the quality of life for the artists we help. We continually strive to make the AGBI as relevant and efficient as it can possibly be and with the help of our stewards (who fundraise and identify potential applicants) we will continue to help artists in need in the years to come.

Who we are

The Artists' General Benevolent Institution (AGBI) was founded by J.M.W Turner in 1814 and incorporated by Royal Charter in 1842, it is one of the oldest charities in the United Kingdom.

The AGBI financially supports professional artists in need and their dependents living in England, Wales or Northern Ireland who cannot work or earn due to accident, illness or older age.

The AGBI is run by a Council of mainly practicing artists, sculptors, designers, architects, medical professionals and craft workers who give their time freely and meet regularly to discuss cases.

The Council is supported by a small team of staff based at Burlington House, Piccadilly, London.



Our offices at Burlington House, Piccadilly
(original oil by Brenda Evans, kindly reproduced with permission)

Who we help

Who does the AGBI help?

Any professional artist, painter, sculptor, illustrator or art teacher at A-level or above can apply for help if they have earned their living (or major part of it) from art and cannot work or earn due to accident, illness or older age.

Widows and orphaned children of artists are also eligible for help.

Unfortunately, the AGBI cannot assist in cases where recession has caused career difficulties or when an artist is unable to find a market for their work. The AGBI cannot assist with legal fees, business difficulties or education grants for mature students.



Eligibility Criteria

The AGBI Council look at the training, qualifications, art-CV detailing shows and exhibitions, employment and the number of years applicants have made a living from art. The AGBI Council will also need to see original examples of an applicant's work.

For further information about the AGBI grants or general enquiries contact the office on 020 7734 1193.

How we help

Assistance is given in the form of a grant for a period of one year. Sometimes this is all that is needed but generally the help is longer term. For those long term cases the circumstances are reviewed annually by the AGBI Council who meet regularly and decide the level of financial help an applicant needs for the coming year.

All matters concerning applicants names and details of help given is kept strictly confidential.

During 2015 – 2016 we ceased to help nine applicants, seven of whom no longer needed or were no longer eligible for support and very sadly two applicants passed away.

£389,177 awarded in grants

120 artists supported

£87,789
received in
legacies

£52,165
in general
donations

£17,960
collected by
our stewards

84
artists
receiving
continuing
support

11
new
cases

16
orphans
supported

9
distinguished
artists
received the
Jubilee Award

Case studies

The AGBI supports artists who are in difficult circumstances medically and financially. When an artist's life, career and health start to collapse the AGBI is often the only benevolent fund to which they can turn.

The support we give is person-centred, meaning we do our best to help our applicants in the most appropriate and meaningful way.

In March 2016, a referral came in from one of our stewards for a sculptor in his late 80s who has dementia. His dementia was diagnosed several years ago and his family were doing all they could to keep him at home.

As his dementia progressed it became obvious that the family did not have the skills or capacity to look after all his needs.

The house had a very basic bath and shower that the sculptor was not able to use safely and the provision of care that the State was providing was simply not sufficient. The sculptor and the family needed additional support. The AGBI agreed to fund a new step free shower and to provide additional night-time care to support the applicant and give the family some well needed respite.



Case studies

The Motor Neurone Disease Association contacted the AGBI about a painter living in Cornwall who needed support.

The painter had been a distinguished artist since the 1960s juggling a career as a painter, an art teacher and raising her young family in her early years and then maintaining a studio and practice in her later years.

Her condition had meant that she was no longer able to paint – which was heart breaking for the artist – and therefore no longer able to go to her studio. She had struggled financially for many years and had fallen into debt.

During her assessment it was clear that financial support for the very basic items was necessary. The AGBI was able to provide funding to pay for her gas and electricity bills, to buy much needed clothing and bedding and to provide a new washing machine to make her life that little bit easier.

Case studies

“

The grant was an enormous help... but the feeling of an artistic community, support and practical help and believing in me was key to my recovery.

”

“

I am sitting here in my studio with all my paints and brushes around me and I just want to thank the AGBI for the support.

”

“

Thank you so much for your generous support. As an artist with a disability your support will transform my practice as a painter.

”

“

Your grants are a life-line and help me cope with unforeseen expenses and general day to day costs. I would be lost without them.

”

Stewards

AGBI Stewards 2015 – 2016

The AGBI is very grateful to the following people who agreed to be our Stewards for their respective societies in 2015 - 2016. Not only do the Stewards fundraise for the AGBI but they are the eyes and ears of the societies to identify potential applicants.

British Society of Master Glass Painters	Jane Campbell	£1,013.38
Chelsea Arts Club	Rick Stroud	£3,424.28
Guild of Glass Engravers	Sally Bakkes	£331.25
Manchester Academy of Fine Arts	Janis Bowie	£200.00
New English Art Club	James Bland	£60.00
Pastel Society	Caroline Bays	£312.50
Royal Academy of Arts	Rebecca Salter	£4,787.50
Royal Institute of Oil Painters	Graham Webber	£86.25
Royal Institute of Painters in Watercolours	Jean Noble	£2,396.35
Royal Society of British Artists	Tessa Spencer Pryse	£238.75
Royal Society of Marine Artists	Barry Peckham	£568.75
Royal Society of Painter-Printmakers	Dolores de Sade	£262.50
Royal Society of Portrait Painters	Keith Breeden	£773.75
Royal Watercolour Society	Lisa Traxler	£385.63
Royal West of England Academy	Ian Middleton	£446.25
Society of Graphic Fine Art	Harriet Brigdale	£944.33
Special Steward	Grey Skipwith	£1,738.75

New Stewards 2016 – 2017

We are pleased to announce that the following people have agreed to be our Stewards in the financial year 2016 - 2017

British Society of Master Glass Painters	Jane Campbell
Chelsea Arts Club	TBC
Guild of Glass Engravers	Sally Bakkes
Manchester Academy of Fine Arts	Janis Bowie
National Society of Painters, Sculptors & Printmakers	Peter Webb
New English Art Club	John Dobbs
Pastel Society	Joanne Last
Royal Academy of Arts	TBC
Royal Institute of Oil Painters	Tony Merrick
Royal Institute of Painters in Watercolours	David Poxon
Royal Society of British Artists	TBC
Royal Society of Marine Artists	Peter Barker
Royal Society of Painter - Printmakers	Fouzia Zafar
Royal Society of Portrait Painters	Mark Roscoe
Royal Watercolour Society	Lisa Traxler
Royal West of England Academy	Ros Ford
Society of Graphic Fine Art	Harriet Brigdale
Special Steward	Grey Skipwith

Support and donations

Charitable and Family Trusts 2015 - 2016

The AGBI is extremely grateful for the support from the following charitable and family trusts in the financial year 2015- 2016.

A D Hill Discretionary Settlement	£1,310.83
Alan Cadbury Charitable Trust	£500.00
Ashley Family Foundation	£2,500.00
Carron Charitable Settlement	£500.00
Colman Charitable Trust	£10.00
Hosali Foundation	£50.00
Honeyman Charitable Trust	£350.00
Loppylugs and Barbara Morrison Charitable Trust	£3,400.00
MacCabe Family Charitable Trust	£500.00
O'Hea Charitable Trust	£200.00
Pawle Charitable Trust	£100.00
Sir John and Lady Swire 1989 Charitable Trust	£1,000.00
Smith Charitable Trust	£4,735.00

Legacies 2015 – 2016

The Council is extremely grateful for the legacies received and pledged in 2015 - 2016.

Sonya Allison	£29,776.68
Vanessa Margaret Buist	£5,000.00
Alfred Daniels	£5,000.00
Constance Bertha Nash	£2,000.00
Huw Purchas	£25,000.00
George Alexander Remington	£20,000.00
John Alexander Younger	£1,000.00

Gifts in memory of the following people were received in 2015 - 2016

Bob Ballard SGFA	£50.00
Camilla Maddox	£20.00
Clifford Hatts	£35.00
Constance Bertha Nash	£100.00
David Burnet Green	£260.00
Diana Hawkins NS FRSA	£630.00
Geoffrey Rigden	£30.00
Jacqueline Ivatt	£817.00
Jean Mary Canter PPSGFA	£1,619.00
John King	£25.00
John Lewis	£200.00
Midge Hayes	£239.00
Patricia Jane Cyriax	£260.00
Richard Grasby	£344.82
Simon Marriott	£207.50
Sylvia Deakins	£285.00
Ursula McCannell	£150.00
William Bowyer RA	£5,100.00

Special thanks would like to be given to the family of William Bowyer RA who generously donated £5,000 to the AGBI. The Council were very saddened when William, who had been a member of the AGBI for many years, passed away in this financial year.

Support and donations



Contributions from Special Events in 2015 – 2016

The AGBI would also like to recognise the support given by individuals who organise fundraising events for the AGBI.

Anthony Hunt	Raised funds through a talk to the Bishops Waltham Aviation Group	£40.00
Julia Midgely	Raised funds through the sale of refreshments at an open studio	£100.00
Maxine Relton	Raised funds through the sale of second-hand books	£286.10

Galleries 2015 – 2016

The AGBI is very grateful for the support of the following galleries.

- Browse and Darby Ltd, London
- The Jerram Gallery, Sherbourne
- Johnny van Haeften Old Master Paintings, London
- The Pilkington Gallery (Piccadilly), London
- Simon C Dickinson Ltd, London
- The Fine Art Society, London

Life members

Life Members who have donated in 2015 - 2016 and have donated a total of £500 or more in previous financial years.

	Donation given in 2015 - 2016	Total donations in previous years
Prof Norman Ackroyd CBE RA	50.00	765.00
C E Anderson	200.00	6,074.07
Diana Armfield RA RWS	100.00	1,334.48
Lillias August	70.50	1,750.25
Paul Banning RI RSMA	75.00	1,678.00
Anne Barnard	50.00	750.00
Dr Wendy Baron OBE	40.00	820.00
Serena Barrow	50.00	2,133.60
Joan Bates	30.00	730.00
Keith Bennett	100.00	1,815.00
Chloe M Blackburn	50.00	875.00
Sir Quentin Blake CBE	1,000.00	8,595.02
Olwyn Bowey RA Hon RWA	25.00	610.00
Frank Bowling OBE RA	2,000.00	2,950.00
Sir Alan Bowness CBE	50.00	950.00
Barbara Brady	30.00	570.00
The Rt Hon Viscountess Harriet Bridgeman CBE FRSA	250.00	1,775.00
Browse & Darby Ltd	100.00	3,914.91
David S Burnand	30.00	505.00
Mary Burnett-Stuart	30.00	600.00
James Butler RA	100.00	655.00
Alan Cadbury Charitable Trust	500.00	5,457.00
Rachel Campbell	75.00	625.00
Professor & Mrs David Carpanini	50.00	1,591.01
Carron Charitable Settlement	500.00	2,350.00
John Carter RA	150.00	2,740.00

	Donation given in 2015 - 2016	Total donations in previous years
John Chipperfield	50.00	630.00
Colin Clark	1,500.00	12,970.00
Mary Clow	100.00	1,300.00
Eileen Cooper RA	200.00	740.00
Dennis Richard Creffield	150.00	1,505.00
The Friends of Dame Laura Knight Society - R John Croft FCA	4,474.00	13,006.92
The Hon Mrs Sarah Davidson	50.00	725.00
Spencer de Grey CBE RA	1,000.00	1,450.00
Damon de Laszlo DL	1,000.00	1,655.00
Tacita Dean OBE RA	200.00	900.00
Roger Dellar RI	15.00	640.00
Anne Desmet RA	100.00	665.00
Simon Dickinson	500.00	10,000.00
Patrick Dockar-Drysdale	50.00	700.00
John Doyle MBE PPRWS	25.00	635.00
Equestrian Art Society	50.00	850.00
Anthony Eyton RA	75.00	1,235.00
Pauline Fazakerley RI	25.00	1,520.00
Andrew Festing RP	35.00	630.00
Matthew Flowers	100.00	1,400.00
Judith Mary Francis	240.00	5,213.32
Jeremy Friend	100.00	792.50
William Garfit RBA	25.00	700.00
Gimple Fils Limited	100.00	2,736.97
Juliet Grasby	314.82	700.00
Martyn Gregory	100.00	2,400.00

Life members

Life Members who have donated in 2015 - 2016 and have donated a total of £500 or more in previous financial years.

	Donation given in 2015 - 2016	Total donations in previous years
Sir Nicholas Grimshaw CBE PPRA	1,200.00	8,129.98
Prof Vaughan Grylls	100.00	1,820.00
S E Gwyther	200.00	1,900.00
Maggi Hambling CBE	150.00	1,872.00
C D Harris	65.00	2,278.35
Josephine Harris	150.00	660.00
Eveline Hastings	50.00	588.00
Philip Hicks Dip RAS	60.00	946.66
The A D HILL 1984 SETTLEMENT	1,310.83	3,420.00
Honeyman Charitable Trust	350.00	3,400.00
Prof Ken Howard OBE RA	230.00	4,425.57
Arthur Raymond Hundleby CSD	100.00	1,850.00
Moira Huntly	20.00	835.50
Monica F Hutchinson	80.00	1,790.01
Manya Igel	100.00	4,033.34
Bill Jacklin RA	100.00	1,460.00
Maz Jackson SGFA	20.00	535.00
Mark Jerram	225.00	625.00
R B Jones	350.00	4,115.28
Simon R Jones	200.00	2,270.00
Allen Jones RA	225.00	2,404.23
Jane Joseph	60.00	955.00
Sarah Lake	130.00	2,761.20
Ann Le Bas RE NEAC	50.00	1,148.33
Christopher Le Brun PRA	75.00	700.00
Margaret Lind-Smith	200.00	3,701.01

	Donation given in 2015 - 2016	Total donations in previous years
The Lopylugs and Barbara Morrison Charitable Trust	3,400.00	29,700.00
Andrew Macara RBA NEAC	25.00	834.01
MacCabe Family Charitable Trust	500.00	5,737.50
Ronald Maddox Hon PRI Hon RWS Hon RBA	50.00	2,086.06
Jean McCarthy	25.00	583.00
June Mendoza RP ROI	50.00	740.00
Harry Traherne Moggridge OBE	50.00	730.00
Ronald Morgan	3.00	522.77
Peter Nahum	35.00	630.00
David Nash RA	100.00	1,600.00
Philip Nathan FRBS	70.00	2,205.00
Richard L Onians	100.00	1,160.00
Robert O'Rorke	50.00	850.00
William Packer	100.00	1,940.00
Donald Pearse	200.00	3,100.00
Pilkington Gallery	40.00	517.50
Sally Pollitzer	100.00	1,775.00
John Leslie Charles Pratt	25.00	540.00
Hew Purchas	100.00	1,480.00
Salliann Putman RWS	25.00	1,982.00
William Pye	100.00	1,800.00
John Rank	130.00	525.00
Maxine Relton	286.10	2,253.00
David Remfry MBE RA	100.00	775.00
Peter Rhoades	50.00	750.00
G M Roberts	100.00	1,000.00
Geoffrey A K Robinson	125.00	1,525.00

Life members

Life Members who have donated in 2015 - 2016 and have donated a total of £500 or more in previous financial years.

	Donation given in 2015 - 2016	Total donations in previous years
Lord Rogers of Riverside RA	200.00	1,950.00
Sir Norman Rosenthal	100.00	2,579.67
H B Sales	26.00	541.48
Rebecca Salter RA	500.00	-
Rosa Sepple	100.00	940.00
Peter Siddell	100.00	1,400.00
W Grey Skipwith	75.00	779.48
Smith Charitable Trust	4,735.00	82,365.44
Nicholas St John Rosse	25.00	650.00
Russell A Strachan	250.00	3,750.00
A C L Sturge	100.00	2,200.00
Sir John and Lady Swire	1,000.00	16,736.94
Patricia Thoburn	250.00	3,280.00
Audrey Titchell	50.00	785.92
Pauline D Tremlett	50.00	700.00
Tuesday Painters of Rye	50.00	800.00
Naomi Tydeman	300.00	2,310.00
Peter Vincent CSD	50.00	1,322.92
Andrew Wade	100.00	750.00
Gerald C Wakelin	150.00	1,830.00
John Walton	150.00	2,816.68
Laura Warner	60.00	530.00
J Weatherhogg	100.00	700.00
Vanessa Whinney	144.00	1,550.87
Michael Whittlesea	25.00	665.57
Muriel Wilson	50.00	650.00
J W Winkelman PPRE	50.00	750.00



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Christmas cards

Our Christmas card sales

To help raise much needed funds, the AGBI produces charity Christmas cards and greetings cards by distinguished artists connected to the charity. You can see the selection of Christmas cards on our website, and can purchase them there or by contacting the office on 020 7734 1193.

Every purchase that you make will help the AGBI to continue supporting artists in financial need, and all profits from the sale of the cards go directly to the AGBI.





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