

Dear Member,

Have you ever considered becoming a trustee of the Norfolk Contemporary Art Society (NCAS) and playing an important role in the arts locally?

Each year at the AGM the Society appoints trustees for a three year term. The trustees are responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and ensuring that it is governed effectively and meets its charitable and legal obligations. NCAS can appoint up to 16 trustees who meet as a committee around five times a year, usually in Norwich. Trustees are also encouraged to actively contribute to the Events Committee or the Exhibitions Committee, the two committees which deal with our programme.

Other than having the time to become actively involved, the most important requirement for a trustee is a strong interest in our aims, which are 'to advance the education of the public in the appreciation of the arts and in particular the creative art of the present day in all its branches'.

We are a membership-based society that uses the money from our subscriptions and fundraising ventures to provide a wide variety of social and educational activities for our members. One of the main aims of the Society is to provide seed-corn funding to help the Castle acquire works of contemporary art for its permanent collection, and the Society also arranges a strong programme of public talks by artists, critics and curators, usually held in The Forum auditorium. Other regular features of our programme are trips to important art venues in the UK, a Christmas party and a biennial fund-raising auction.

We have also been involved in curating numerous art exhibitions in the City and the County. These include a biennial open exhibition for artist members of the society.

Before committing to put your name forward to the AGM to become a trustee it is important that you understand a bit more about what is involved, the nature of personal liability, and to check that there are no legal or other barriers to your being appointed a trustee, so, in the first instance, you are invited to contact the Hon. Secretary to find out more.

Best wishes

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