(A Company Limited by Guarantee)

DIRECTORS' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2009

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COMPANY INFORMATION

Current Directors

Gavin Barlow
Jane Claire
Jessica Cohen
Judith Doherty
Benedict Eccles
Paul Fitzpatrick
Rosie Hunter
Helen Jackson
Stuart Mullins
Arti Prashar
Emma Rees
Bryan Savery

Jeremy Smeeth (Chair)

Jill Streatfeild Michael Wicherek

Secretary

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DIRECTORS' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2009

The directors present their report together with the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2009.

Principal activities

The company's principal activities continued to be those of protecting, promoting and developing the interests of its membership.

The membership comprises a wide range of performing arts organisations, venues and individuals in the fields of drama, dance, opera and music theatre, mime and physical theatre, circus, puppetry, street arts and mixed media.

Directors

The directors who served during the year were as follows:

Vicki Balaam (resigned 10 September 2008)

Gavin Barlow

Jane Claire (Buddle)

Jessica Cohen (appointed 8 December 2008)

Judith Doherty

Benedict Eccles

Paul Fitzpatrick

Leroy Harris (resigned 13 May 2008)

Rosalind Hunter (appointed 20 November 2008)

Helen Jackson (appointed 20 November 2008)

Stuart Mullins

Arti Prashar

Emma Rees

Bryan Savery

Davina Shah (resigned 1 October 2009)

Jeremy Smeeth

Jill Streatfeild (Foreman) (appointed 20 November 2008)

Joe Sumsion (resigned 21 October 2008)

Tim Webb (resigned 20 November 2008)

Michael Wicherek (appointed 20 November 2008)

Directors' responsibilities

The directors are responsible for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). The financial statements are required by law to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the surplus or deficit for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose, with reasonable accuracy at any time, the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

So far as the directors are aware, there is no relevant audit information (as defined by Section 234ZA of the Companies Act 1985) of which the company's auditors are unaware, and each director has taken all the steps that he or she ought to have taken as a director in order to make himself or herself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to small companies within Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 and was approved by the board on 19 November 2009.

Jacqueline Elliman

Secretary

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

	Notes	2009	2008
		£	£
Income			
Members' subscriptions		191,113	177,186
Core operating grant	2	69,999	112,342
Project grants	2	194,801	248,684
Training, publications and services	3	84,359	<i>87,238</i>
Sponsorship		5,000	13,000
Bank and other interest		6,679	12,979
		551,951	651,429
Expenditure			
Office	4	47,095	45,878
Management and administration	5	139,520	163,862
Projects	6	172,646	275,371
Training and services	7	181,077	156,484
		540,338	641,595
Operating surplus for the year before taxation	8	11,613	9,834
Taxation	9	1,403	2,596
Surplus for the year after taxation	17	10,210	7,238

INDEPENDENT THEATRE COUNCIL LIMITED (REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER 1892910) BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2009

	Notes	2009 £	2008 £
Tangible fixed assets	11	-	-
Current assets			
Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	12 13	30,636 427,305 457,941	36,614 402,032 438,646
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year Net current assets	14	81,789 376,152	66,266 372,380
Total assets less current liabilities		376,152	372,380
Deferred grants	15	5,000	11,438
Net assets		371,152	360,942
Reserves			
Specific reserves Income and expenditure account	17 17	183,000 188,152 371,152	183,000 177,942 360,942
Reconciliation of reserves			
Surplus for the financial year Opening reserves Closing reserves		10,210 360,942 371,152	7,238 353,704 360,942

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies and with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2007).

These financial statements were approved by the board on 19 November 2009 and signed on its behalf.

Jeremy Smeeth - Chair Director

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2009

Accounting policies

Basis of accounting

These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2007).

The presentation of the income and expenditure account varies from the statutory format to reflect more closely the activities of the company.

Grants and sponsorship

Grants and sponsorship are credited to the income and expenditure account in the same period as the related expenditure, including those grants which are capital in nature but where the company does not benefit from legal ownership of the related assets.

Outstanding grant claims for expenditure defrayed in the year are accrued and included in debtors.

Deferred grants are expected to be spent in the twelve months following the company's year end. As some grants may be deferred for longer, subject to future conditions, all deferred grants are shown separately on the balance sheet.

Members' subscriptions

Subscriptions are credited to the income and expenditure account in the same period of membership that the subscription covers.

Other income

All other income is accounted for on an accruals basis and excludes value added tax and discounts.

Expenditure

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and excludes value added tax and discounts.

Expenditure exceeding £5,000 on fixed assets other than information technology equipment is capitalised and depreciated over four years on a straight line basis.

Salaries and social security costs have been allocated between management and administration, projects and training and services.

Specific reserves

The Board determines the level of reserves to set aside for specific future purposes or projects and reviews these reserves annually.

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YPT young directors scheme

Total grants credited in the year

Capitals of Culture

Seminar Day

2	Grants		2009	2008
			£	£
	Core operating:			
	London Councils	Core advice/professional development	69,999	68,000
	Arts Council England			44,342
			69,999	112,342
	a regular programme of courses and Projects:	a seminars.		
	Fast Track Arts Management	London Development Agency	116,748	157,250
	Fast Track graduate scheme	Arts Council England	33	9,389
	GAIN	Greater London Authority	70,000	41,242
		•	70,000	-
	YPT post	Arts Council England	•	20,000

7,469

12,146

248,684

361,026

1,188

8,020

194,801

264,800

Statement under Section 37 of The Local Government and Housing Act 1989:

Grant aid of £69,999 (2008: £68,000) was received in the year from London Councils for the purposes of contributing to the salary and running costs of its second tier services.

Arts Council England

Arts Council England, North West

Arts Council England, London

This grant aid was expended for the purposes for which it was awarded, specifically on the core services of Advice, Training, Events & Networking and Advocacy.

All other grants credited to income have also been applied to the purposes for which they were awarded with grants carried forward shown in note 15.

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3 Training, publications and services	2009 £	2008 £
Courses	57,088	57,832
Executive coaching	2,550	1,380
Action Learning sets	3,800	10,059
Contracts	3,841	4,980
Incorporation and charitable registration	8,375	5,450
Publications, photocopier charges and miscellaneous income	1,781	3,638
Conference fees	4,912	2,579
Training room fees	2,012	1,320
	84,359	87,238
4 Office	2009	2008
7 Olive	£	2008 £
Rent, rates, insurance and utilities	46,783	44,750
Repairs and renewals	312_	1,128
	47,095	45,878
5 Management and administration	2009	2008
	£	£
Salaries and social security costs	86,049	96,724
Staff training and development	7,526	9,893
Recruitment	1,704	850
Fees and travel	6,192	5,896
Council, committee and lobbying expenses	5,730	8,231
Telephone	4,934	5,834
Postage	8,866	11,920
Stationery	1,746	3,625
Photocopier charges	1,979	2,702
Photocopier depreciation	-	1,124
Office supplies	2,293	1,807
Cleaning and sundry expenses	2,810	4,013
Marketing	1,498	2,718
Books	348	457
Subscriptions	3,713	3,166
Legal fees	28	436
Audit and accountancy	3,100	3,000
Bank charges	1,004	825
Professional indemnity insurance		641
	139,520	163,862

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

6	Projects	2009 £	2008 £
	Grant-funded		
	Fast Track Arts Management programme	99,654	154,195
	Fast Track graduate scheme	500	2,196
	GAIN - BME Board development programme	35,541	33,061
	YPT post	3,101	22,020
	YPT young directors scheme	970	4,618
, (Capitals of Culture	10,969	11,898
	Seminar Day		1,188_
		150,735	229,176
	Including staff costs totalling:	60,854	107,781
	Self-funded		
	Information technology strategy	9,295	14,287
,	Well-being	5,537	11,073
	Sustainability research	-	9,136
	Action Learning	1,886	6,130
,	Edinburgh festival	2,292	3,491
	Website development	588	2,864
1	Other members' projects	2,313	2,091
	Newsletter	-	199
	EO Booklet expense accrual no longer needed		(3,076)
		21,911	46,195
		172,646	275,371
7	Training and services	2009	2008
		£	£
	Salaries and social security costs	132,960	109,209
	Fees	23,703	20,305
	Travel and accommodation	2,729	1,798
	Training course development	391	1,000
	Other training costs	5,859	6,700
	Conferences	9,797	15,646
	Brochures	5,638_	1,826
		181,077 	156,484

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8	Operating surplus		2009	2008
	Operating surplus is state	d after charging:	£	£
	Auditors' remuneration:	- statutory audit	1,800	1,700
		- accountancy and tax services	1,300	1,300
	Depreciation of owned as	sets	-	1,124
	Equipment leasing		3,525	3,525

In common with many other organisations of our size and nature we use our auditors to assist with the preparation of the statutory financial statements and to prepare and submit the company's tax return to HM Revenue & Customs.

Staff costs included in expenditure comprised:	£	£
Salaries	245,329	283,994
Social security	25,890	29,720
Redundancy costs	7,755	-
Recruitment, training and development	7,526	19,210
	286,500	332,924
Average full-time equivalent staff numbers during the year	6.9	8.9

Operating lease commitments:

The lease on the company's premises was renewed for three years with effect from 14 September 2006 with an annual rental commitment of £34,460 and is currently being renegotiated.

The company also has an annual commitment of £3,525 expiring after more than one year and within five years for the rental of office equipment.

9	Taxation	2009	2008
		£	£
	Based on interest received in the year:		
	UK corporation tax @ 21% (2008: 20%)	1,403_	2,596

As a mutual not-for-profit organisation the company is not liable to UK corporation tax on the results of its operating activities.

10 Transactions with directors

Fees of £3,390 (2008: £1,692) were paid to directors as approved by the Board for services other than in their role as directors, in particular for training services and course development.

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11	Tangible fixed assets	£	
	Cost:		
	As at 1 April 2008	8,995	
	As at 31 March 2009	8,995	
	Accumulated depreciation:		
	As at 1 April 2008	8,995	
	Charge for the year		
	As at 31 March 2009	8,995	
	Net book value:		
	As at 31 March 2009		
	As at 1 April 2008	-	
12	Debtors	2009 £	2008 £
			2
	Training and other debtors	10,291	14,165
	VAT recoverable	-	2,561
	Accrued grant income	1,000	4,857
	Prepayments and accrued income	14,793	10,479
	Deposits with suppliers	4,552	4,552
		30,636	36,614
13	Cash at bank and in hand	2009	2008
		£	£
	Current and money manager accounts	292,274	265,513
	High interest account	134,863	136,445
	Petty cash	168_	74
		427,305	402,032

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14	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2009	2008
		£	£
	Subscriptions received in advance	33,088	31,347
	Trade creditors	29,731	19,787
	Corporation tax	1,403	2,596
	VAT payable	2,636	-
	Other taxation and social security	7,315	8,670
	Deferred income	2,445	866
	Other creditors and accruals	5,171	3,000
		81,789	66,266
15	Deferred grants		
	LDA Fast Track Programme	•	11,438
	GAIN Programme Event	5,000	
		5,000	11,438

16 Share capital

The company is limited by guarantee and does not have any share capital.

In the event of the company being wound up every Member of the Council undertakes to contribute a sum not exceeding £1 to its assets for payment of any outstanding debts and liabilities.

17	Reserves	Specific reserves	Income and expenditureaccount
		£	£
	As at 1 April 2008	183,000	177,942
	Surplus for the year ended 31 March 2009	-	10,210
	Increases in specific reserves	18,000	(18,000)
	Reductions in specific reserves	(18,000)	18,000
	As at 31 March 2009	183,000	188,152

Should the company be wound up any remaining reserves shall be distributed to an organisation with similar objects.

The accumulated balance on the income and expenditure account has been retained to provide around six months' running costs excluding project expenditure as identified in the business plan.

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18	Analysis of specific reserves	2009	2008
		£	£
	The company's reserves were considered in the business plan in conjunction with budgets and management accounts and specific amounts set aside as follows.		
	Staffing needs	35,000	35,000
	Staff training and development	25,000	25,000
	International development	-	5,000
	Future projects, research and policy development	55,000	50,000
	Information technology strategy and website development	15,000	10,000
	Database redevelopment	5,000	10,000
	Communications	15,000	15,000
	Training room equipment and library	5,000	5,000
	Publication reprints	-	8,000
	Members' events	15,000	10,000
	Access requirements	13,000	10,000
		183,000	183,000

Staffing needs, training and development

The Board considers that a continued reserve to cover absence and other eventualities remains appropriate and a significant part of this reserve will be required in 2009 to cover a materity leave absence.

The reserve for training and development has also been maintained.

Future projects, research and policy development

Reserves were applied last year to a piece of research into well-being.

The Board has resolved to apply further reserves to future research and projects and to commit an additional reserve for policy work and a coalition project with the industry lead bodies.

Information technology strategy and website development

This reserve has been retained to ensure that the ITC website and information technology can be maintained and updated. A specific reserve has been maintained for redevelopment of the database and to further develop the ITC Board bank tool.

Communications, training room equipment and library

The business plan for ITC identified communications as a major area needing development and this reserve has been retained to buy in help with this area.

A continued reserve has been retained to provide for future development of the training room.

Publication reprints

The Board have resolved that it is no longer necessary to hold a reserve for publication reprints as the relevant updates can now be provided more effectively electronically.

Members' events

This reserve will continue and has been increased to facilitate more networking opportunities, professional development and members' events particularly outside London.

Access requirements reserve

To provide disability access for courses and events including signing interpreters. This reserve has been used during the year and increased to meet growing demand.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF

INDEPENDENT THEATRE COUNCIL LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of Independent Theatre Council Limited for the year ended 31 March 2009 which comprise the Income and Expenditure Account, the Balance Sheet and the related notes. These financial statements have been prepared under the accounting policies set out therein and the requirements of the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2007).

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Section 235 of the Companies Act 1985. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose.

To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors' responsibilities for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) are set out in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities in the Directors' report.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland).

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985. We also report to you whether in our opinion the information given in the Directors' Report is consistent with the financial statements.

In addition we report to you if, in our opinion, the company has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding directors' remuneration and transactions is not disclosed.

We read the Directors' report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within it.

Basis of audit opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with the International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) issued by the Auditing Practices Board.

An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

We have undertaken the audit in accordance with the requirements of APB Ethical Standards including APB Ethical Standard - Provisions Available to Small Entities, in the circumstances set out in note 8 to the financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion:

- the financial statements give a true and fair view, in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice applicable to Smaller Entities, of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 March 2009 and of its surplus for the year then ended;
- the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985; and
- the information given in the Directors' Report is consistent with the financial statements.

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Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

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Golden Cross House, 8 Duncannon Street, London WC2N 4JF

Date: 26 November 2009