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LONDON CENTRE

Notice of Annual General Meeting
Wednesday 18th May 2016

Annual Report & Accounts 2015

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Nomination Form for Centre Committee

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Fortieth Annual General Meeting of the London Centre will be held at The London Television Centre, Upper Ground, South Bank, London SE1 9LT on Wednesday 18th May 2016 commencing at 6.00 p.m.

AGENDA

1. Approval of the Minutes of the Thirty-ninth Annual General Meeting of the Centre held on Wednesday 13th May 2015
2. Chair's Report.
3. Honorary Treasurer's Report and Balance Sheet.
4. Election of the London Centre Committee Members.
5. Election of Independent Examiner for the 2016 accounts.
6. Any other business.

**RTS LONDON CENTRE
MINUTES OF THE 2015 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Minutes of the 39th Annual General Meeting of the London Centre held on Wednesday 13th May 2015 at The London Television Centre, Upper Ground, South Bank, London SE1 9LT at 6.00 PM.

In the Chair: Kristin Mason- Chair of the London Centre.

1. Minutes of the 38th Annual General Meeting held on Wednesday 14th May 2014

a) **Accuracy.** The minutes were agreed

b) **Matters Arising:** There were no matters arising not on the agenda.

2. London Centre Annual Report for 2014

The report had been circulated with the Notice of the Meeting and further copies were made available at the meeting. Kristin Mason started by once more thanking ITV for providing RTS London with such an attractive venue for the regular fortnightly events.

3. Hon. Treasurer's Report and Balance Sheet

David Thomas, as Acting Treasurer, presented the centre accounts for 2014 a summary of which had been circulated to members. The main costs to the Centre were the events programme and the London Centre Student Awards Ceremony. The Independent Examiner, David Turner FCA, was satisfied with the accounts and had signed them off.

4. Election of Committee Members

Nominations were received for Kristin Mason and Norman Green as retiring members.

Both nominated members were elected nem con.

5. Election of Independent Examiner

David Thomas proposed David Turner FCA of the firm of Johnsons Chartered Accountants in Ealing to audit the current year's accounts. This was seconded by Terry Marsh and carried unanimously.

6. Any Other Business

There was none

The meeting closed at 6.25 pm and was followed by the evening's event.

RTS London Centre Chair's Annual Report for 2015

The Website

We are delighted with the re-brand and the website looks both much livelier and more contemporary than its predecessor.

EVENTS

The RTS London Centre continued to hold its events – roughly fortnightly – often at ITV's London Studios. This wide-ranging programme was designed to complement the London events organised by the Society's headquarters.

- **MAM technology is dead. Long Live MAM technology!** A joint event with the West London branch of the IET.
- **RTS London Student Awards** had a good number of entries from a wider range of Universities and Colleges across the Region. For the first time, we made available a number of tickets bookable by 'ordinary' RTS members; making it a much more inclusive event.
- **Ultra High Definition and 4K TV** explained how UHD TV is about more than just increasing the resolution of the TV signal.
- **National Theatre Live - World Class Event Cinema**; a fascinating behind the scenes look with the Executive Producer and Technical Director.
- **Getting In and Getting On**; this enormously popular session covered a wide range of career issues, from first steps to managing upwards, from changing genres to coping with disasters.
- **Sport on TV – Future Technologies**; a visit to BBC's Research and Development centre to see the future of technology and how it will affect the viewing and enjoyment of sport.
- **Suspects - a Very Unusual Drama**; in which the cast devise their own dialogue based on a detailed plot description...
- **Freeview Play, the natural next step**; Digital UK and Freeview and the plan to develop a new Freeview-branded connected TV service. This event followed the London Centre AGM.

- **The RTS London Centre and FOCAL Jane Mercer Memorial Lecture**, was given by Raye Farr.
- **Pinewood Studios**; two members-only “Summer Supper” tours of Pinewood Television Studios which proved very popular.
- **IBC Review** brought a fascinating update from the huge, international broadcasting trade exhibition and conference in Amsterdam.
- **Review of Cambridge Convention** is clearly set to be a fixed point every couple of years in our programme, bringing the Convention’s high-level analysis and debates to a wider audience.
- **Round-table event with Futurist David Wood**; this members-only round table event was the first of its kind held by the London Centre
- **It started with a book**; meddling with a much-loved classic or bringing a story to a whole new audience?
- **Behind the (social) scenes at BBC's The Voice UK** in association with **The BBC Academy**. The team from one of BBC One's biggest Saturday evening 'shiny floor' shows explained the role of social media in the show.
- **How will consumers find and watch TV in the emerging Smart Home?** A members-only visit to iBerbia in Chiswick was a chance to revel in the world of TV boxes, streamers, dongles and devices.
- **RTS London’s Christmas Lecture: Lorraine Heggsey**; an honest and humorous account of the ups and downs in the career of the first woman to run BBC 1. She led the rebranding and transformation of the channel taking it to beat ITV in the ratings for the first time and so making it the most popular channel in the UK.

Kristin Mason, Chair, RTS London Centre

Centre Committee: Kristin Mason- Chair, Carol Owens - Deputy Chair, Terry Marsh - Hon Sec, David Thomas - Acting Hon Treasurer, Daniel Cherowbrier, John McAdam, Nick Radlo*, Bob Handscomb, David Poyser, Norman Green, Veronica Newsom, Tonia Page*, Rosemary Smith*, Thomas Dillon, Alex Lines, Alice Parks, Sarel Madziya

* retiring by rotation but eligible for re-election.

The Royal Television Society London Centre Accounts 2015

London CENTRE SUMMARY P&L	
	£
INCOME	
Sponsorship	0.00
Award Entries	0.00
Award Dinner Bookings	0.00
Lecture tickets	0.00
Sundry income	3,419.20
Interest received	0.00
Head Office Grant	29,000.00
VAT adjustment	(3,764.03)
Total Income	28,655.17
EXPENDITURE	
Awards	82.74
Lectures	9,482.99
Student Awards	3,925.05
Conferences	3,918.00
Admin	3,476.75
Total Expenditure	(20,885.53)
Surplus/(Deficit) Income Less Exps.	7,769.64

London Centre. Balance Sheet at 31 December 2015	
	£
Current Assets	
Bank	8,623.15
Debtors	0.00
VAT	0.00
	0.00
Current liabilities	
Trade creditors	0.00
Net Current Assets	8,623.15
Accumulated Fund	
Fund Brought Forward 1 January (insert figure)	853.51
Profit/(loss) in year	7,769.64
Fund Carried Forward	8,623.15
	(0.00)
David Thomas Hon. Treasurer - RTS London Centre 6th January 2016	

Independent Examiners Report to the Committee of

The Royal Television Society London Centre

I report on the accounts of the London Centre for the year ended 31 December 2015, which are set out in the Profit and Loss account and Balance Sheet attached.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The centre's committee is responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The centre's committee considers that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioner under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

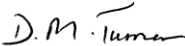
Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the society and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as the committee concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - (a) to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - (b) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Acthave not been met; or
- to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Name of principal: David Turner
Name of firm: Johnsons, Chartered Accountants
Relevant professional qualification or body: FCA
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London W5 5TL
Date: 18. 2. 16

NOMINATIONS FOR CENTRE COMMITTEE 2016

Nominations are invited for four vacancies on the Committee of the London Centre (including three members of the existing committee eligible for re-election).

In accordance with the rules, candidates must be nominated by two Centre members and such nominations, together with brief personal details, must be received by the Hon. Secretary of the Centre before noon on Wednesday 18th May.

The election of Committee members, who serve for three years, will take place at the London Centre Annual General Meeting which will be held at The London Television Centre, Upper Ground, South Bank, London SE1 9LT on Wednesday 18th May 2016 commencing at 6.00p.m. The personal information provided by the candidates will be available at that meeting.

NOMINATION FOR THE LONDON CENTRE COMMITTEE 2016-9

Name

Address

Postcode

Telephone (Bus.) (Home)

I consent to being nominated for the London Centre Committee

Signed Date

Proposed by (1)

Proposed by (2).....

Please also provide brief personal information such as occupation, area of expertise and other details which might be of interest to members.

Please return this form by email to rtslondon@gmail.com

Or mail to:-

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