

## 'A Home for the Culturally Curious'

### Join Our Team of Trustees

The Trustees of The Association for Cultural Exchange (whose activities are mostly promoted under the name Stapleford Granary) are looking to broaden the expertise of their Board. We are seeking to appoint two additional Trustees who share our love for the arts and who will help in achieving our ambitious growth plans as the Charity emerges from the pandemic constraints of the past two years.

Interested applicants are invited to refer to 'The Role of the Trustees' which will be sent with this document. This provides background information about the registered charity and its trading subsidiaries, as well as links to more detailed material.

The Trustees hold between four to six formal meetings each year on weekday afternoons. These are held at Stapleford Granary, our award-winning redevelopment of beautiful 19th Century farm buildings just outside Cambridge. Other ad hoc meetings may be held in person or remotely. Trustees may meet separately with members of the Charity's executive team or other staff, and/or liaise with external professional advisers.

In addition to attending the formal meetings, Trustees are expected to devote sufficient personal time to prepare appropriately in advance for Trustee meetings. Trustees are also encouraged, wherever possible, to support the events and activities hosted at Stapleford Granary. All Trustees are required to keep themselves up-to-date and to comply with charity law and relevant guidance from the Charity Commission.

Founded in 1958, the Charity opened Stapleford Granary as a permanent centre for music, the arts and culture in 2014 following a 5-year period of restoration of derelict farm buildings. The Trustees oversee a talented and experienced executive team who are rapidly gaining an outstanding reputation for presenting events and activities for the culturally curious which inspire, educate and inform.

#### General requirements

A willingness to work with a team of Trustees with diverse skills to fulfil the objectives of the charity

A willingness to offer your time in support of the charity

A belief that cultural exchange in all its forms provides a public benefit and contributes to better understanding amongst people and nations

Empathetic approach to supporting people

Willingness to attend some of the events organised by Stapleford Granary

#### Specific expertise required (One Trustee)

Experience in finance and understanding of statutory accounts

Analysis of investments and working with investment managers

Prior experience of driving commercial performance

#### Specific skills required (One Trustee)

Knowledge of or prior working in a cultural environment

Love of the arts in general

Experience as a lecturer or tour expert or track record of other experience related to our activities

Enthusiasm for subject area and ability to communicate this clearly to a diverse range of stakeholders.

If the opportunity to work with a leading cultural charity is of interest, please email your CV and a brief letter stating why you would like to be considered for the role to Mark Sanders, Chair of Trustees, email: [mark@aceculturaltours.co.uk](mailto:mark@aceculturaltours.co.uk)