



## **TRUSTEES FOR TURNER'S HOUSE TRUST**

**We are looking for two or three additional trustees to join the Board of Turner's House Trust.**

**Turner's House Trust is the registered charity responsible for Sandycombe Lodge, the house which J M W Turner designed and built in Twickenham, and in which he lived with his father. Following an extensive conservation and restoration project, the House opened to the public for the first time in 2017, its garden opened in 2018, and it is now one of the leading small cultural attractions in South West London.**

### **Principal responsibilities of the Trustees**

- Provide strategic oversight of the charity, ensuring that it fulfils its responsibilities and operates within its charitable objectives
- Ensure that systems are in place to evaluate, manage and mitigate the risks the charity faces
- Ensure that the Board maintains the sound financial health of the charity, with appropriate financial accountability
- Help develop the House through involvement in marketing, fund raising and promotional activity
- Act as an ambassador and spokesperson for the cause and the charity, and represent the charity at external functions, meetings and events
- Support and guide the full-time House Director

### ***What difference will you make?***

Since opening to the public in August 2017, Turner's House has already attracted over 13,000 paying visitors, and has run an ambitious programme of activities and events to reach out to local schools and the wider community. We are looking for Trustees who can secure the future of the House by helping us to make it a long-term success. This will involve advising and contributing on matters including volunteer engagement, fundraising, marketing and the role of the House in the community.

### ***What are we looking for?***

#### **Personal Qualities**

- A strong commitment to Turner's House Trust and its objectives
- Excellent management skills

- Being comfortable in an ambassadorial role in public
- Tact, diplomacy and powers of persuasion, able to listen and engage effectively
- Strong networking capabilities
- Willing to go the extra mile in committing time to the charity.

## **Experience**

- Experience of working at a senior professional level
- Active interest in, knowledge of, and understanding of, the cultural and heritage sector
- Successful track record of achievement and making a difference through his or her career
- Candidates with professional experience of business development, marketing and/or fundraising would be of particular interest

## ***What's in it for you?***

Turner's House is a small gem which occupies a distinctive place on London's cultural map. The role of Trustee offers the opportunity to play a leading role in enhancing the life of the local community and to celebrate the outstanding artistic achievement of J M W Turner. In return for your commitment, you can be assured of a personal sense of satisfaction and of the support and encouragement of the eight existing members of the Board of Trustees, the professional staff of the House and the enthusiastic volunteer team, who will all be excited to welcome you. We will provide a tailored induction.

## ***The Commitment***

The Board meets six times a year. Some trustees also have regular meetings with the full-time House Director or with other Board Members to discuss specific topics and may represent the charity at various public events and meetings, and in the media. Board members serve a three-year term and are eligible for re-appointment for one additional term. Trustees are not remunerated and the commitment is estimated to take up around two to three days a month. In the Board's view the Trustee roles are best suited to individuals living within an hour's travelling time of Twickenham.

**To apply, or for more information, please contact the Vice-Chair, Michael Deriaz: [mderiaz@btinternet.com](mailto:mderiaz@btinternet.com). Closing date 17 January 2020.**



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