

S. Y. KILLINGLEY MEMORIAL TRUST

Registered Charity No. 1111891

Supporting part-time students in the arts and humanities in the North-East of England

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT for Annual General Meeting, 3rd July 2019

The Trust, founded in 2005 in memory of Siew-Yue Killingley (1940–2004), gives grants to part-time students in the arts and humanities. Since the last Annual General Meeting on 6th September 2018, the Trustees held meetings on 12th December 2018, 12th February 2019, 8th April 2018, and 3rd June 2019 (inquorate).

Trustees: One Trustee resigned, regretfully, because of other commitments, but intends to continue helping the Trust as a Selector. We have welcomed a new Trustee from among our former grantees, who is the third Trustee not to have known Siew-Yue.

Grants: We interviewed applicants on six occasions, and awarded over £10,000.00 in grants. Two grants were for PhDs in English Literature, one for an MA in History, one for an MLitt in Music, one for a week-long course in poetry speaking, one for an MSc in Art Psychotherapy, two for Diplomas in Public Service Interpreting, one for an Advanced Diploma in British Sign Language interpreting, one for singing lessons, and one for a Functional Skills Level 2 course in English.

Grantees have come from Byker, Crook, Gateshead, Heaton, Humshaugh, Manchester (studying part-time in Newcastle), central Newcastle, Newton Aycliffe, North Shields, and Sedgfield.

Thanks: The Trust is grateful to all those who have contributed to its funds in the 14 years since its inception. These include all those who have given money, but also those supporters, including grantees, who have given performances, donated works of art for sale, or raised money in other ways. Among other donors we are grateful to Trinity Church, Gosforth for their continuing support.

General observations: We are pleased to note the increasing variety of courses we have been able to support, within our subject area of Arts and Humanities. The demand from post-graduate students in English continues, but we have also received applications for courses in various branches of music, in art, and in other subjects. We are particularly impressed by the dedication of learners of British Sign Language.

We are well aware of the need to comply with the General Data Protection Regulations, and have ensured that we do so. At the same time, we are happy to keep in touch with former grantees, and many of them have written to us expressing their gratitude. In order to do this, we ask grantees whether they would like to sign a brief statement giving us permission to keep their names and addresses.

Dermot Killingley (Chair)
3rd July 2019