



Philanthropy Report
Financial Year 17/18

Thank you for your support

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In 2013 I was elected as Provost of King's College. I recognised the academic and administrative responsibilities I would have, but fundraising was one of my relatively untested attributes, and I was eager to learn more about the College and our supporters so that I could be successful in this role.

Five years later, I feel we can lay claim to some degree of success. We have been building relationships with our existing donors, and acquiring new ones through the renewed sense of purpose that comes from having strategic goals agreed by the Fellowship. With your help we have expanded our capacity for student and academic support, and undertaken substantial building and maintenance projects. Several of these stories feature in this report. Each of these has marked a significant milestone, and makes our College better equipped to face the challenges that the future may bring.

The extraordinary gift which allows the College to develop Cranmer Road is a truly strategic benefaction. This allows us to build a genuine intra-mural graduate community, and will offer more modest rents than these students would otherwise find in private accommodation. Work has already begun, and we anticipate the new rooms being available to students for their arrival in Michaelmas Term 2019.

Considered with all those gifts which have been given so generously over recent years, and with the advice and encouragement of our Members and Friends, we now have the confidence and momentum to launch a major fundraising campaign. There will be more news of this separately.

In the meantime I thank each and every Member, Friend, tourist, trust, foundation and company that has brought us to this pivotal moment, and also ask you to think about how you may wish to support the College in the coming year.

Michael Proctor



New accommodation for graduates on Cranmer Road



*Cranmer villa: 19 bedrooms, 635 sqm (GEA)
Garden building: 40 bedrooms, 1,539 sqm (GEA)*

Two new buildings have been designed by Allies and Morrison and will be built by R G Carter for King's College, as part of a new unified graduate campus on Cranmer Road, a short walk from the College and well connected to other University amenities. They will sit alongside two existing hostels, originally late Victorian, which will continue to house graduate students.

- Familiar materials – such as brick and architectural concrete – used in a contemporary way to help secure their longevity while positively contributing to the West Cambridge Conservation Area.
- Designed to nurture and accommodate social interaction, indoors and outdoors. Small vegetable growing areas to be used by students.
- Four Disability Discrimination Act compliant bedrooms, serviced by a shared kitchen that provides easy access and a safe environment. Blue badge parking spaces with step free access to entrances.
- Intelligent Passivhaus environmental strategy to respond to climatic changes and reduce operational costs over the long term: electricity as a primary fuel source, high efficacy light sources, point-of-use water heaters, and comprehensive metering.



“This is such an exciting development for King’s, and our first new building for students for some twenty years. Our graduates have been involved in the planning from the outset, and the building will have extremely high sustainability standards (Passivhaus). I am delighted and proud to be part of this development.”

Philip Isaac, Domus Bursar

What we've achieved together

Philanthropy raised in year



Total: **£16,456,187**
of which expendable in year: **£3,337,933**

Origin of donation (number of gifts)



Members: **5,965**
Visitors and Friends: **8,679**
Trusts and Foundations: **35**

Origin of donation (value of gifts)



Members: **£12,590,336**
Visitors and Friends: **£3,730,112**
Trusts and Foundations: **£94,572**



9,479
donors in total



12
new Legators, totalling £678,742 in
new legacy pledges (in addition to
the £16.5M raised)



13%
of Members made a
philanthropic gift



£146,589
claimed in Gift Aid. Thank you for
your declarations!

£16,456,187 raised this year!

THANK YOU!

All data taken from the Financial Year 2017–2018

With your help, our students can thrive

£957,903 received for student support

291 times the Supplementary Exhibition Fund for student hardship was called upon during the year

£226,476 awarded directly to students experiencing financial hardship and to respond to unforeseen circumstances such as disability assessments, counselling, physiotherapy, GP letters, rail travel, etc.

158 students received travel grants

£152,839 raised to alleviate student hardship

The focus of this year's Telephone Fundraising Campaign was on the Supplementary Exhibition Fund, or SEF, which supports students from all backgrounds with bursaries but also provides a critical safety net to mitigate unforeseeable financial difficulties.

The generous donations from our alumni totalled £208,221, with £152,839 to support the SEF and the rest towards the Access and Outreach Fund – allowing us to make the College more accessible to prospective students from under-represented areas and demographics – and the recently-established Student Welfare and Mental Health Fund.

A huge thank you to everybody involved, from our invaluable team of student callers to all those who decided to support the Telephone Fundraising Campaign.



New music written in the heart of Cambridge



The King's College/Hartley Rogers City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra (CBSO) Scholarships in Orchestral Composition allowed two Cambridge students to compose new work for the world-renowned CBSO, and to hear it rehearsed and professionally recorded in two separate workshops. The first session offered a chance to hear the work in draft form, before the Scholars prepared a final version in time for the second session. The schedule is designed to allow composers to be bold, inventive and to take risks.

"The sheer amount of workshop time that's been negotiated on our behalf allows myself and Darren to experiment in ways that would be nigh impossible in other circumstances."

Inaugural Scholar Patrick Brennan

"It's a wonderful and rare thing to be able to express one's 'big' ideas, and the benefit it will have on my composing craft is undeniably significant."

Inaugural Scholar Darren Bloom

"It really is hard to overstate how important these [workshops] were for the composers. The conductor, Ilan Volkov, and the orchestra were both fantastically committed and extremely helpful and positive in their attitude, and the speed and precision with which they worked on the day was absolutely breath-taking."

Richard Causton, Reader in Composition

Above: The CBSO during one of the workshops.

Encouraging discovery in the Arts

The Apelles Art History Fund was established by King's College in 2016 to support original research in the history of art at the College, acquisitions, and the restoration of art works owned by the College. It commemorates Professor Jean Michel Massing's contribution to the field and encourages continued exploration and discovery in the arts. In the first years, one of the priority uses of the Fund will be for research on the College's works of art, including a catalogue of the Keynes Collection.



The first major accomplishment of the Apelles Fund has been to finance the cataloguing of the Polier/Pote collection of Islamic manuscripts owned by King's College since 1788. Colonel Antoine-Louis Henri Polier (1741–1795) was an officer and agent of the East India Company, an orientalist, a collector and a patron of the arts. Many of his Islamic manuscripts were purchased from him in India in 1788 by Edward Ephraim Pote (d.1832) who split his purchase in two, giving 257 manuscripts to King's College and 220 to Eton College.

Through the Apelles Fund, the King's collection has now been catalogued by a brilliant young scholar, Dr Shiva Mihan, a former PhD student, advised by Professor Massing. The catalogue can be found online in FIHRIST, the Union Catalogue of Manuscripts from the Islamicate World (www.fihrist.org.uk). This major scholarly achievement should lead to further studies of the collection, and of Polier and Pote.

Top: King's College, Pote collection 70, fols 1v-2r: Illuminated frontispiece, 1572. The manuscript contains two celebrated commentaries of the Qur'an.

Bottom: King's College, Pote collection 186, n.p.: *Divān of Badr al-Dīn Hilālī*, 1531-2.



Turning Scholars into authorities

The Nigel Glendinning Doctoral Studentship was established in honour of the late Professor Nigel Glendinning (KC1950), an authority on eighteenth-century Spanish literature and art who contributed immensely to worldwide appreciation of Spanish culture. It offers funding for a three- to four-year course of study, covering tuition fees and maintenance costs plus an annual allowance for research and travel.

The inaugural Nigel Glendinning PhD Scholar was Akemi Herráez Vossbrink (KC2015), whose thesis examines the New World reception of the Spanish seventeenth-century artist Francisco de Zurbarán's oeuvre. Akemi was recently appointed Curatorial Fellow in Spanish paintings at London's National Gallery.

"This studentship has allowed me to conduct my doctoral research, organize a conference, and has led on to a curatorial career. By developing my academic and curatorial interests, I also hope to encourage young art historians to work on Spanish painting."

Akemi Herráez Vossbrink

The Nigel Glendinning Studentship was made possible through the generosity of the Centro de Estudios Europa Hispánica (CEEH), in association with the ARTES Iberian and Latin American Visual Group. ARTES was originally established and transformed into an international force by Professor Glendinning.

Above: Akemi in front of Zurbarán's Saint Casilda at Madrid's Thyssen-Bornemisza Museum.

Welcome to the new Phillips Junior Research Fellow



"In 2017 I started my Junior Research Fellowship in Mathematics at King's. I am funded by a generous donation made by the Phillips Fund. Research fellowships form a great opportunity for early-career academics to develop their research skills before moving on to

permanent academic positions. In contrast with regular postdoctoral positions, research fellows at King's have the additional privilege of interacting with a diverse group of academics in an inspiring college environment.

I think it's important for researchers not to get too lost in their own academic specialisation and lose track of what is going on in other fields of academia. This can easily happen to young researchers who, due to publication pressure, do not have the time to delve beyond their specialisation. As a research fellow at King's, however, I have been lucky to receive plenty of opportunity and encouragement to learn from and have discussions with a large variety of academics. I am incredibly grateful to the Phillips Fund for enabling me to have this enriching experience."

Above: Dr Dejan Gajic, Junior Research Fellow at King's College and affiliated with the Department of Pure Mathematics and Mathematical Statistics, was appointed thanks to the generous support of Ian (KC1966) and Anke Phillips.

The Future Fund provides for the College now and in the future

Gifts to the Future Fund – otherwise known as 'General College Purposes' – allow the Bursar and College the flexibility to both address any immediate need (particularly in areas that do not typically attract donations) without restriction, or to invest these donations into the general endowment and boost the future income of the College in perpetuity.

When the Bursar applies the Future Fund to an area of immediate need, something can be achieved that otherwise would not have been budgeted for. This could be the refurbishment of a room, additional resources for the Library, or a grant to a student in need.

As well as making additional money immediately available across the College, gifts added to the endowment generate additional funding in future years, reducing the pressure on the College finances.

Establishing a sports link with New College in Oxford



The Lent term saw more than 50 King's students travel to New College in Oxford to take part in the first ever sister college sports day, thanks to a Sports Fund created by the generous support of a King's Member.

Both King's and New College organised teams for hockey, lacrosse, rounders, tennis, squash, croquet, football and netball. What King's teams lacked in experience they made up for in enthusiasm!

Several colleges hold annual sister competitions, and King's College Students Union hope to host a reciprocal visit next year, and to continue meeting with New College students annually and adding other sports to the day.

"It has been very exciting to establish this sports link with our sister college, and we are grateful for the fund supporting the event."

*Bethan Clark (KC2015),
Sports Societies and Freshers Officer for KCSU*

Above: Bringing the "3-2-1 King's!" pre-match war cry to Oxford (photo by Georgina Baker).

Rewarding business ideas at the 'Lyons Den'



This year's Entrepreneurship Competition again attracted over 75 entrants. Prizes went to a pumped heat energy storage system, a smartphone project to disseminate market data to Kenyan smallholders, and a subcutaneous bio-chip to measure the effects of chemotherapy.

"I am delighted that the awards are encouraging such imaginative and worthwhile projects."

*Stuart Lyons CBE (KC1962),
main sponsor of the King's Entrepreneurship competition*

The King's Entrepreneurship Prize is proving to offer the necessary impetus for young companies to secure additional funding and recognition for their business ideas, whether of commercial or social entrepreneurial nature. Our 2014 prize-winner *Nemesis Bioscience* recently raised £1.4 million in seed funding.

Above: Pumped Heat founders James Macnaghten (KC1988) and Guy Winstanley, winners of the first prize in 2018.

From the Director of Development



Sincere thanks to all our donors. Together you have made this another record year for fundraising, which will have a fantastic impact on the lives of our students, present and future. Your gifts provide the College with financial security and new opportunities.

As ever, I am grateful to all who pick up the phone during our Telephone Fundraising Campaign and make a gift, pledge or engage in a positive conversation with our student callers. I am also very thankful to all those who give their time freely to the College in the many varied volunteer roles, to those who offer careers advice and mentoring to our students along with summer placements and internships, and to all who have

helped us arrange events and meetings far and wide. It all adds to show that King's is a vibrant, lively and enthusiastic community.

As you read this, we have embarked on an ambitious Campaign that aims to ensure a bright future for King's, in this highly competitive environment for higher education and research. Please take a look at our new website to find out more about our aims and ambitions, and how you might like to be further involved.

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College life transcends generations



Meet the first Ingenious Burglar out on the Back Lawn in 1972, about to be christened. And below, the new Ingenious Burglar, which took part in the last May bumps. The link between the two boats is a rower in one of the 1970s teams (not pictured above) who decided to generously support the Boat Club and to 'resurrect' his old boat's name and give more students a chance to try out rowing.

As it ages, each new boat is passed down through the various teams of the Boat Club and has a useful lifespan of up to 20 years, so we wish a long and successful life to the Ingenious Burglar!

It is far more difficult for today's students to find the money and the time to enjoy sport at university than it was 40 years ago. Gifts like this for our clubs and societies allow a greater number of students to participate.

Top: 1st VIII in tracksuits, 1972; Bow: Hugh Hill (KC1971), 2: Paul Miller (KC1971), 3: Nick Blick (KC1971), 4: Francis Cuss (KC1972), 5: Colin Johnson (KC1970), 6: Nick Kingsbury (KC1967), 7: Adrian Lamb (KC1970), Stroke: Simon Holt (KC1970) and Cox: Dave Erbach (KC1972)

Bottom: M1 rowing down to the start of May Bumps 2018 for the Ingenious Burglar's first Bumps race

Front page: Tega Akati-Udi (KC2016), Economics student and BME Officer

"As a Black and Minority Ethnic Kingswoman, visibility is so important to me: showing that BME people do exist at Cambridge, that we belong and more importantly, that we also thrive here. My message to potential BME applicants is simple: you have a place here and you are very much welcome."

Yesterday's donations are improving College life today

Christopher Colville Minns (KC1962), son of Christopher 'Kit' Eden Minns (KC1922), was a truly open-minded Economics student. While at Cambridge he joined all the political parties to see what each could offer, and made a point of befriending foreign students.

Over the years, he returned several times to King's with his wife Alison, and held dear his memories of his time in College and of sitting behind the Choir listening to Evensong in the Chapel.



"My late husband, Christopher Colville Minns wanted his legacy to go to the Chapel and I'm sure he would have been pleased to know that it would eventually make a contribution to retaining and preserving its beauty for future generations."

Alison Minns, Friend of King's College

Above:

Christopher Minns in the 1960s with Antonello Atzori (KC1965)

If you would like to show your enduring commitment to this extraordinary place of learning and research, please consider leaving a bequest to King's in your Will.

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