

ARTS COUNCIL ENGLAND REAPPOINTMENTS

Tessa Jowell MP, Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport has reappointed four national council members for Arts Council England.

Tom Bloxham MBE, has been reappointed as member and chair of the North West Regional Arts Council for a second term of four years until 31 May 2010. Tom is currently a property developer and a co-founder of Urban Splash Limited, an award winning property development company dedicated to regenerating inner city areas. He is also Chair of the Manchester International Festival and of IPPR's Centre for Cities, a Director of Baa Bar Ltd a private pub company, and a Director of the Liverpool Capital of Culture Company. Tom is an Honorary Fellow of Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA), and has received Honorary Degrees from Oxford Brookes University, Liverpool John Moores University and the University of Central Lancaster. Tom received his MBE in 1989 for services to Architecture and Urban Regeneration

Lady Sue Woodford Hollick has been reappointed as member and chair of the London Regional Arts Council for a second term of two years until 31 May 2008. Lady Hollick is a former producer/director of Granada TV's "World in Action" and the founding Commissioning Editor of multicultural programmes at Channel 4 television. Sue has recently retired as Chair of the Tate Members Council but continues to serve on the Tate Modern Advisory Council. She is Chair of Bringing Up Baby Ltd (a childcare company).

Professor Alan Livingston CBE has been reappointed as member and chair of the South West Regional Arts Council for a second term of 1 year until 31 May 2007. Alan is the Principal of the University College Falmouth and founder of the St Ives International Festival. Professor Livingston has a solid background in arts and education in the South West and excellent knowledge of arts and culture throughout the region. He has been a member of the Royal Mail Stamp Advisory Committee since 1990 and is currently a member of the Tate St Ives Advisory Council and a Trustee of the Eden Trust, Cornwall.

Professor Stuart Timperley has been reappointed as member and chair of the East Regional Arts Council for a third term of two years. Stuart is a Founding Partner and Chairman of Slatter Timperley Associates providing high level strategic advice on growing and developing organisations worldwide. For many years he was a Professor at the London Business School and he has been a Sloan Foundation Fellow at Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), a senior associate at Cambridge University (Judge Institute) and is currently a Visiting Professor at the University of Milan (ISTUD). He has also been Chairman of different organisations including Watford Football Club, Freightliners Ltd and Consultequ S.P.A.

Notes to Editors:

1. Arts Council England works to get more art to more people in more places. We develop and promote the arts across England, acting as an independent body at arm's length from government. Between 2006 and 2008, we will invest £1.1 billion of public money from government and the National Lottery in supporting the arts. This is the bedrock of support for the arts in England. We believe that the arts have the power to change lives and communities, and to create opportunities for people throughout the country.
2. National Council members receive no remuneration. Chairs of the regional arts councils receive £5, 880 per annum.
3. This appointment has been made in accordance with the OCPA Code of Practice. Appointments are made on merit and political activity plays no part in the selection process.