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NFTS Ealing Studios Limited

Report and Financial Statements

Year Ended 31 March 1998





Annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 1998

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Directors

Frank McGettigan David Kustow Marc Samuelson Alan Sapper Noella Smith

Secretary and registered office

Jim Rodda, Beaconsfield Film Studios, Station Road, Beaconsfield, Bucks HP9 1LG

Company number

3062708

Auditors

BDO Stoy Hayward, 8 Baker Street, London W1M 1DA

Report of the directors for the year ended 31 March 1998

The directors present their report together with the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 1998.

Results and dividends

The profit and loss account is set out on page 4 and shows the result for the year.

The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend.

Principal activities, review of the year and future activities

The principal activity of the company is the provision of film studio facilities.

The directors are satisfied with the results for the third period of trading and anticipate a similar level of trade in future periods.

There have been no events since the balance sheet date which materially affect the position of the company.

Directors and their interests

The directors, none of whom had any interest in the share capital, of the company during the year were:

Frank McGettigan David Kustow Marc Samuelson Alan Sapper Noella Smith

Directors' responsibilities

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Report of the directors for the year ended 31 March 1998 (Continued)

Auditors

BDO Stoy Hayward have expressed their willingness to continue in office and a resolution to re-appoint them will be proposed at the annual general meeting.

By order of the Board

J Rodda Secretary

Date: 16 September 1998

Report of the auditors

To the shareholders of NFTS Ealing Studios Limited

We have audited the financial statements on pages 4 to 10 which have been prepared under the accounting policies set out on page 7.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 1 the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those statements and to report our opinion to you.

Basis of opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 March 1998 and of its result for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

BDO STOY HAYWARD

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Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

London

Date: 16 September 1998

NFTS EALING STUDIOS LIMITED Profit and loss account for the year ended 31 March 1998

	Note	1998 £	1997 £
Turnover	2	1,335,255	1,318,141
Cost of sales		1,022,918	942,247
Gross profit		312,337	375,894
Administrative expenses Gift aid		270,521 38,616	364,364
Operating profit		3,200	11,530
Interest receivable		455	1,126
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	4	3,655	12,656
Taxation on profit from ordinary activities	6	(359)	1,937
Retained profit for the year		4,014	10,719
Retained profit brought forward		14,795	4,076
Retained profit carried forward		18,809	14,795

All amounts relate to continuing activities

All recognised gains and losses are included in the profit and loss account

The notes on pages 7 to 10 form part of these financial statements

Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds for the year ended 31 March 1998

	1998 £	1997 £
Reconciliation of movements in shareholders funds		
As at 1 April 1997	14,797	4,078
Profit for the financial year	4,014	10,719
Dividends	-	-
	18,811	14,797
Net share capital subscribed	_	-
Shareholders' funds at 31 March 1998	18,811	14,797

Balance sheet at 31 March 1998

	Note	19	98		1997
		£	£	£	£
Fixed assets Tangible assets	7		35,419		44,275
Current assets Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	8	249,339 137,070		91,377 10,668	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	386,409 403,017		102,045 131,523	
Net current liabilities			(16,608)		(29,478)
Total assets			18,811		14,797
Capital and reserves Called up share capital Profit and loss account	10		2 18,809		2 14,795
Equity shareholders' funds			18,811		14,797

The financial statements were approved by the Board on 16 September 1998

F McGettigan

Director

Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 1998

1 Accounting policies

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and are in accordance with applicable accounting standards. The following principal accounting policies have been applied:

Turnover

Turnover represents sales to outside customers for rental periods prior to 31 March 1998 at invoiced amounts less value added tax.

Depreciation

Depreciation is provided to write off the cost, less estimated residual values, of all fixed assets, except freehold land, over their expected useful lives. It is calculated at the following rates:

Fixtures and fittings - 16½% per annum
Plant and machinery - 15% per annum

Depreciation is charged for a full year in the year of acquisition.

2 Turnover and result

Turnover and the result arose from the company's principal activity which is carried out in the United Kingdom.

3	Employees	1998 £	1997 £
	Staff costs consist of:		
	Wages and salaries	321,328	305,731
	Social security costs	30,807	29,227
	Other pension costs	4,229	4,766
		356,364	339,724
	The average weekly number of employees during the year was as follows:	Number	Number
	was as follows.	Number	Number
	Part time	3	6
	Full time	15	12

		18	18

Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 1998 (Continued)

4	Profit on ordinary activities		1998 £	1997 £
	This is arrived at after charging:		æ.	£
	Depreciation Auditors' remuneration - audit services - other services		8,856 2,250 1,850	21,346 2,250 1,375
5	Directors' emoluments			
	No directors received any emoluments during the year.			
6	Taxation on result from ordinary activities			
	UK corporation tax Adjustment in respect of prior year		(359)	1,937
7	Tangible assets	Plant & machinery £	Fixtures & fittings	Total £
	Cost At beginning and end of year	30,422	26,023	56,445
	Depreciation At beginning of year Provided for the year	6,479 4,563	5,691 4,293	12,170 8,856
	At end of year	11,042	9,984	21,026
	Net book value At 31 March 1998	19,380	16,039	35,419

Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 1998 (Continued)

8	Debtors			1998	1997
				£	£
	Trade debtors			249,188	88,590
	Other debtors			151	195
	Prepayments and accrued income			-	2,592
				249,339	91,377
	All amounts shown under debtors fall due for p	payment within on	e year.		
9	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	•			
	Trade creditors			21,906	8,938
	Accruals and deferred income			295,426	61,125
	Amounts due to parent company			42,480	31,646
	Corporation tax			0.000	2,259
	Other creditors			8,882 34,323	27,555
	Tax and social security			<u> </u>	
				403,017	131,523
10	Share capital	Autho	rised	Allotted,	_
		1998	1997	1998	1997
		£	£	£	£
	100 ordinary shares of £1 each	2	2	2	2
					

11 Commitments under operating leases

As at 31 March 1998, the company had annual minimum commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as set out below:

	Land and	Land and buildings		
	1998	1997		
Operating leases which expire:	£	£		
In two to five years	200,000	200,000		
				

Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 1998 (Continued)

12 Parent company

The company's ultimate parent company is The National Film and Television School, a company limited by guarantee and registered in England, which is the parent of both the smallest and largest groups of which the company is a member.