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**The Gerald Coke Handel Foundation**

Report and Financial Statements

Year Ended

31 March 1999



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**BDO Stoy Hayward**  
Chartered Accountants

**THE GERALD COKE HANDEL FOUNDATION**

**Annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 1999**

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# **THE GERALD COKE HANDEL FOUNDATION**

## **Council of Management**

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### **Council of Management**

William Barnes  
Donald Burrows  
Raymond Clarke  
Hugh Cobbe (Chairman)  
Marilyn Evans-Lombe  
Anthony Hicks  
Colin Timms

### **Secretary and registered office**

John Orr, 40 Brunswick Square, London, WC1N 1AZ.

### **Company number**

3201907

### **Charity number**

1058589

### **Auditors**

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

### **Solicitors**

Field Fisher Waterhouse, 35 Vine Street, London, EC3N 2AA.

### **Bankers**

National Westminster Bank Plc, 2 Hatton Garden, London, EC1N 8AB.

### **Investment manager**

Mercury Asset Management, 33 King William Street, London, EC4R 9AS.

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## **THE GERALD COKE HANDEL FOUNDATION**

### **Report of the Council of Management for the year ended 31 March 1999**

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The Council of Management submit their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 1999. The Foundation was incorporated on 21 May 1996 and registered with the Charity Commission on 14 October 1996.

#### **Results**

The surplus for the year amounted to £116,274.

#### **Principal activity and business review**

The objects of the Foundation are to advance public education by providing research facilities for academics, musicologists, musicians, students, writers, researchers and all other interested persons concerning and in relation to the life and work of George Frideric Handel, and his associates and contemporaries; also in relation to the musical environment of his time, and to the printing and publishing of music in London and elsewhere in the Eighteenth Century; and all other related subjects of study.

The Foundation was formed by The Handel Institute and the Thomas Coram Foundation for Children to give effect to the Will of Mrs Patricia Coke, who died in August 1995. The Will directed that the Gerald Coke Handel Collection should be offered to the Board of Inland Revenue in lieu of payment of Inheritance Tax, and expressed the wish that if the offer was accepted the Collection should be allocated to a joint body to be constituted by The Handel Institute and the Thomas Coram Foundation. In August 1996 the Gerald Coke Handel Foundation received a gift of £1.6m from the Executors of Mrs Coke's Will, by a Deed of Appointment which provided for it to be used for the general purposes of the Foundation as set out in its Memorandum of Association. The funds are currently invested with Mercury Asset Management.

In August 1998 the Thomas Coram Foundation formed The Foundling Museum as a separate charitable company, with the intention that it should become responsible for Coram's art collection and the premises at 40 Brunswick Square where this is presently housed. It is intended that in due course the Gerald Coke Handel Collection shall also be housed and displayed at the same premises.

In November 1998 the Department for Culture, Media and Sport announced acceptance of the Gerald Coke Handel Collection in lieu of capital taxes, and in March 1999 the Museums and Galleries Commission announced the temporary allocation of the Collection in part to the Hampshire Record Office and in part to the Victoria & Albert Museum. This interim measure will allow time for the necessary funding for the Museum to be put in place, and for discussions between the Foundation and the MGC, and between the Foundation and the Museum about the future management and funding of the Collection, to be concluded.

Since 1995 the Council has continued to make suitable purchases as the opportunity offered, with the aim of complementing the Collection pending a formal decision on its eventual allocation. In addition, under the terms of the gift, the Foundation has been responsible for various costs, such as insurance, relating to the Collection. As the income from the gift is not expected to do more than cover expenditure on maintaining, displaying and developing the Collection, and the provision of appropriate study facilities, expenditure during the year has been limited, apart from the purchases mentioned, to office expenses, professional fees and other expert advice, with the balance being held in reserve. Having regard to the probable future demands on income, it will be necessary to create a designated reserve fund from currently accumulated income, which can then be invested to provide sufficient total income to finance annual operating costs. This can only finally be determined once the arrangements for the Collection have been settled.

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### Report of the Council of Management for the year ended 31 March 1999 (*Continued*)

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#### Fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets purchased and donated in the year are shown in note 6 to the financial statements.

#### Trustees

The trustees of the charity during the year were:

William Barnes	
Donald Burrows	
Raymond Clarke	
Hugh Cobbe (Chairman)	
Marilyn Evans-Lombe	(appointed October 1998)
Anthony Hicks	
David Kaye	(resigned October 1998)
Colin Timms	(appointed November 1998)
Brian Trowell	(resigned October 1998)

None of the members of the Council of Management had an interest in the capital of The Gerald Coke Handel Foundation which is a company limited by guarantee not for profit and not having a capital divided into shares.

#### Council of Management's responsibilities

Company law requires the Council of Management being the directors of the Foundation for the purposes of Company Law, 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 surplus or deficit for its financial year. In doing so the Council of Management 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 Council of Management 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 charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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**Report of the Council of Management for the year ended 31 March 1999 (*Continued*)**

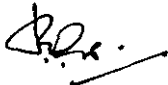
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**Auditors**

On 1 March 1999 the auditors, Moores Rowland, merged their practice with that of BDO Stoy Hayward and are now practising under that name.

**By order of the Board**

John Orr



**Secretary**

Date 6 October 1999

# THE GERALD COKE HANDEL FOUNDATION

## Report of the auditors

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### To the members of The Gerald Coke Handel Foundation

We have audited the financial statements on pages 5 to 11 which have been prepared under the accounting policies set out on page 7.

#### *Respective responsibilities of the Council of Management and auditors*

As described on page 2 of the Council of Management's report, the Council of Management who are also the directors of the Gerald Coke Handel Foundation for the purposes of Company Law are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. It is our responsibility as auditors 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 Council of Management in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the charity 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 charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 1999 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, in the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

  
**BDO STOY HAYWARD**  
*Chartered Accountants  
and Registered Auditors*  
London

Date 29 OCTOBER 1999

# THE GERALD COKE HANDEL FOUNDATION

## Statement of financial activities for the year ended 31 March 1999

	Note	1999 £	1998 £
<b>Income and expenditure</b>			
Investment income	3	91,327	102,268
Total incoming resources	1	91,327	102,268
Resources expended			
Direct charitable expenditure:			
Curatorial services	5	-	9,000
		-	9,000
Other expenditure:			
Management and administration of the charity		24,799	8,523
Total resources expended		24,799	17,523
Net incoming resources	4	66,528	84,745
Gain/(loss) on investment assets:			
Unrealised		32,630	284,908
Realised		17,116	(30)
Net movement in funds		116,274	369,623
Fund balances brought forward		2,196,045	1,826,422
Fund balances carried forward		2,312,319	2,196,045

All disclosures relate only to continuing operations.  
There are no recognised gains or losses other than the surplus for the year.

The notes on pages 7 to 11 form part of these financial statements.



# THE GERALD COKE HANDEL FOUNDATION

## Balance sheet at 31 March 1999

	Note	1999 £	1998 £
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Tangible assets	6	9,109	7,939
Investments	7	2,304,296	2,191,724
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		2,313,405	2,199,663
<b>Current assets</b>			
Cash at bank and in hand		4,879	2,819
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		4,879	2,819
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	8	5,965	6,437
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<b>Net current liabilities</b>		(1,086)	(3,618)
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<b>Total net assets</b>		2,312,319	2,196,045
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<b>Represented by:</b>			
Unrestricted funds		2,312,319	2,196,045
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Approved by the Council of Management on ~~6 October~~ 1999 and signed on their behalf by:



Hugh Cobbe  
Chairman

The notes on pages 7 to 11 form part of these financial statements.

## THE GERALD COKE HANDEL FOUNDATION

Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 1999

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### 1 Accounting policies

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with the exception that investments are at market value as at the balance sheet date, and are in accordance with applicable accounting standards and Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting by Charities.

#### *Income*

Donations and other income are accounted for when receivable. Bank interest is accounted for on an accruals basis.

#### *Expenses*

Expenses are accounted for on an accruals basis.

#### *Depreciation of tangible fixed assets*

No depreciation has been provided on the Foundation's assets which comprise additions to complement the Handel collection (see note 6).

#### *Investments*

Investments are stated at market value.

Net investment gains for the year, both realised and unrealised are disclosed in the Statement of Financial Activities.

#### *Taxation*

No provision has been made for taxation as the company's charitable status renders it exempt from UK direct taxation.

#### *Funds*

Unrestricted funds: These comprise the accumulated surplus or deficit on the income and expenditure account. They are available for use at the discretion of the Council of Management in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

### 2 Status

The company is limited by guarantee and has no share capital.

The liability of members in the event of a winding up is limited to £1.

## THE GERALD COKE HANDEL FOUNDATION

Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 1999 (*Continued*)

### 3 Investment income

	1999 £	1998 £
Income from listed fixed asset investments	51,116	58,817
Interest receivable	40,211	43,451
	<u>91,327</u>	<u>102,268</u>

### 4 Net incoming resources for the year

The net incoming resources for the year are stated after charging:

Auditors' remuneration	<u>2,350</u>	<u>2,613</u>
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### 5 Council of Management and other employees

There were no staff costs in the year ended 31 March 1999.

The Council of Management received no emoluments during the year.

The Chairman had expenses reimbursed of £8 (1998 - £165) in the year with regard to travel and subsistence directly associated with the running of the Foundation.

One Council Member received reimbursement of travel expenses during the year.

During the year £Nil (1998 - £9,000) was paid to the Thomas Coram Foundation in respect of Curatorial Services. One of the trustees of the Gerald Coke Handel Foundation is a trustee of the Thomas Coram Foundation.

# THE GERALD COKE HANDEL FOUNDATION

Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 1999 (*Continued*)

## 6 Tangible fixed assets

	Handel collection £	Total £
<i>Cost</i>		
At 1 April 1998	7,939	7,939
Additions	1,170	1,170
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At 31 March 1999	9,109	9,109
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<i>Net book value</i>		
At 31 March 1999	9,109	9,109
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At 31 March 1998	7,939	7,939
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All fixed assets disclosed above represent items purchased to complement the Handel Collection and are used only for charitable purposes.

## 7 Investments

	1999 £	1998 £
Market value at 31 March	2,304,296	2,191,724
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Movement in investments are as follows:		
	Listed securities £	
Valuation at 1 April 1998	1,612,588	
Increase in market value in the year	32,630	
Additions in the year	267,399	
Disposals in the year	(220,484)	
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Valuation at 31 March 1999	1,692,133	
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# THE GERALD COKE HANDEL FOUNDATION

Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 1999 *(Continued)*

## 7 Investments *(Continued)*

The valuation at 31 March 1999 comprises:

Investments listed on a recognised stock exchange including investments and unit trusts:

	1999 £	1998 £
UK equities	1,158,861	1,096,796
UK fixed interest	202,434	333,149
Overseas equities	293,424	104,083
Overseas fixed interest	37,414	78,560
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Cash	1,692,133	1,612,588
	612,163	579,136
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	2,304,296	2,191,724
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The historical cost of the investments at the year end was:	1,356,650	1,311,186
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## 8 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

Accruals and deferred income	5,965	6,437
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# THE GERALD COKE HANDEL FOUNDATION

Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 1999 (*Continued*)

## 9 Funds

	Unrestricted funds 1999 £	Unrestricted funds 1998 £
Balance at 1 April 1998	2,196,045	1,826,422
Surplus for the financial year	65,352	84,745
Other recognised gains and losses	49,746	284,878
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Balance at 31 March 1999	2,311,143	2,196,045
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Analysis of net assets between funds		
Tangible fixed assets	9,109	7,939
Investments	2,304,296	2,191,724
Net current liabilities	(2,262)	(3,618)
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	2,311,143	2,196,045
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Further amounts will be released from the estate of Mrs Coke to the Foundation when all matters relating to the offer of the Handel Collection in lieu of inheritance tax are resolved. The balance at 31 March 1999 is estimated as £67,817 (1998 - £112,687).