Edinburgh International Festival Limited

REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2007

Registered Number 138633



Directors

Jonathan Mills James Stretton Joanna Baker

Company Secretary

Joanna Baker

Auditors

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Solicitors

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Directors' report

The Directors submit their annual report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 October 2007

Results and dividends

The results for the year are a profit of Enil (2006 Enil) The Directors do not propose a dividend (2006 Enil)

Principal activities and review of the business

The company previously operated retail outlets and undertook wholesale activities in connection with goods related to the Edinburgh International Festival and acted as a ticket agent for various events including Edinburgh's Hogmanay These activities were taken over by Edinburgh Festival Centre Limited from 5 July 1999 The company is not currently actively trading

The company's results have been consolidated within the financial statements of Edinburgh International Festival Society

Future Outlook

The company's directors have no plans for the company to trade in the foreseeable future

Key Performance Indicators

Given the straightforward nature of the business, the company's directors are of the opinion that analysis using KPIs is not necessary for an understanding of the development, performance or position of the business

Directors

The Directors of the company during the year to 31 October 2007 were

- Jonathan Mills
- James Stretton
- Joanna Baker

No Director had an interest in the company's share capital during the year

No Director had any interest in any contract of significance in relation to the company's business during or at the end of the year

Directors' responsibilities

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial period which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss for that period. The directors are required to prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis, unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors confirm that suitable accounting policies have been used and applied consistently. They also confirm that reasonable and prudent judgements and estimates have been made in preparing the financial statements for the year ended 31 October 2007 and that applicable accounting standards have been followed.

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and 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.

The directors believe they have met these commitments

Auditors and disclosure of information to auditors

So far as each director is aware, there is no relevant audit information (that is, information needed by the company's auditors in connection with preparing their report) of which the company's auditors are unaware

Each director has taken all the steps (such as making enquiries of other directors and the auditors and any other steps required by the director's duty to exercise due care, skill and diligence) that he ought to have taken in his duty as a director in order to make himself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information

Auditors

Following an audit tender process, the Festival Council recommends that Henderson Loggie be appointed as auditors from April 2008 until further notice

Festival Council would like to express its gratitude to PricewaterhouseCoopers and in particular Audit Partner Caroline Roxburgh and Audit Manager Magnus Aitken for their professional and supportive assistance over many years

Elective resolutions

Elective resolutions were passed by written resolution of the sole member of the company on 9 February 1998 to dispense with the requirement to (1) lay accounts and reports before the company in general meeting, and (2) hold annual general meetings

By order of the board

Joanna Baker

Company Secretary

Edinburgh, 25th February 2008

Independent Auditors' Report to the Members

For the year ended 31 October 2007

We have audited the financial statements of Edinburgh International Festival Limited for the year ended 31st October 2007 which comprise the Profit and Loss account, the Balance Sheet, and the related notes These financial statements have been prepared under the accounting policies set out therein

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors' responsibilities for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) are set out in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) This report, including the opinion, has been prepared for and only for the company's members as a body in accordance with Section 235 of the Companies Act 1985 and for no other purpose We do not, in giving this opinion, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985. We also report to you whether in our opinion the information given in the Directors' Report is consistent with the financial statements.

In addition we report to you if, in our opinion, the company has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding directors' remuneration and other transactions is not disclosed

We read the Directors' Report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within it

Basis of audit opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) 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, in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, of the state of the company's affairs at 31 October 2007 and of its profit for the year,
- the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985, and
- the information given in the Directors' Report is consistent with the financial statements

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

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Edinburgh, 10th March 2008

Profit and Loss Account

For the year ended 31 October 2007

	Notes	2007 £	2006 £
Turnover			
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Concessions and Royalties	5		
Operating profit			
Interest receivable			
Profit on ordinary activities	4		
Charitable donation to Edinburgh International Festi	val		
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Retained profit for the year		<u> </u>	
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The company has no recognised gains and losses other than those included in the results above, and therefore no separate statement of total recognised gains and losses has been presented

There is no difference between the results on ordinary activities and the retained results for the year stated above and their historical cost equivalents

Balance Sheet

As at 31 October 2007

	Notes	2007 £	2006 £
Current assets			
Bank and cash in hand		2	2
Creditors Amounts falling due within one year	5		
Net assets		2	2
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	6	5	2
Equity shareholder's funds		2	2

The financial statements on pages 9 to 12 were approved by the board of Directors on 25th February 2008 and were signed on its behalf by

Director

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 October 2007

1 Accounting policies

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared on an historical cost basis in accordance with applicable Accounting Standards in the United Kingdom

Cash Flow Statement

The company qualifies as a small company under the terms of FRS 1 (revised) and section 247 of the Companies Act 1985 and is therefore exempt from the requirement to publish a cash flow statement

2. Income

Income previously represented amounts receivable from a Mastercard Royalty programme The company currently has no source of income The Mastercard Royalty income previously received is now received directly by the parent company, Edinburgh International Festival Society

3 Staff numbers and costs

There were no staff costs (2006 nil) and no remuneration was paid to any Director (2006 nil) The auditors remuneration was paid by the parent charity (note 7) on behalf of Edinburgh International Festival Limited

4 Taxation

There was no current or deferred taxation charge for the period due to all profits being covenanted up to Edinburgh International Festival Society

Notes to the Financial Statements

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5 Creditors amounts falling due within one year

Creditors amounts falling due within one year	2007 £	2006 £
amounts owed to parent company		

6 Share capital

Share capital	2007 £	200 6 £
Authorised		
100 ordinary shares at £1 each	100	100
Allotted, called up and fully paid		

7. Related parties

The company is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Edinburgh International Festival Society, incorporated in Scotland, and considers Edinburgh International Festival Society to be its ultimate controlling party

The company's results are consolidated within the financial statements of Edinburgh International Festival Society, copies of which can be obtained from the Company Secretary, The Hub, Castlehill, Edinburgh, EH1 2NE Hence, under FRS 8, it is exempt from disclosure of transactions with that company