



Trustee Director Vacancies

The Mary Rose Trust extends a warm invitation for you to join an experienced and enthusiastic Board of Trustees, that is excited about its future ambitions and currently working very effectively, in a collaborative and collegial manner.

The *Mary Rose*, Henry VIII's favourite ship, sailed throughout his reign and sank in 1545, while fighting off an attempted French invasion of Portsmouth. Dramatically re-discovered, excavated, and raised in 1982, the *Mary Rose* is now housed in a purpose-built, award winning Museum in Portsmouth Historic Dockyard, along with 19,000 artefacts that tell compelling stories of everyday life in Tudor Times.

In 2021 the Mary Rose Trust appointed a new CEO and a new Chair. This along with the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic led to a review of the strategy and culture for the Trust. This included the creation of new Key Strategic Objectives and 5 Year Plan, as well as reaffirming the charitable objectives and refreshing the culture (purpose, vision, and values). The Trust currently works in partnership with the National Museum of the Royal Navy through a joint venture.

Our Board is responsible for the strategic overview of the Trust's activities, determining its course and ensuring compliance with its governance structure. We are looking for individuals to function as trusted advisors and constructive colleagues, bringing support and challenge from their broad organisational judgement, as much as from their areas of specialist expertise and personal experience. The Mary Rose is committed to ensuring its Trustee appointments are diverse and benefit from a wide range of skills and perspectives.

We welcome people who have a range of skills and experience and from diverse backgrounds. At present we are particularly looking for individuals with strength of experience in: Finance, Naval, Community, Legal, Fundraising, Learning/Education, Curatorial, Archaeology/Conservation, Collections, Research, Heritage, and HR/Talent to join our Board to support with key areas of responsibility. Previous Board experience is not necessary and successful candidates will be given an induction into the working of the Trust.

Please see the application pack for more information. To apply, please submit a CV and a covering letter setting out your reasons for wishing to be a Trustee Director and what you believe you will bring to the role. This is a voluntary position and is therefore unpaid.

Applications should be sent to Michelle Rickman, Executive Assistant to Dominic Jones on: m.rickman@maryrose.org

The closing date for applications is **7th August 2023**. Shortlisted applicants will be invited for an informal interview with the Chair and other Trustees on Wednesday 13th September 2023. Appointments will be made subject to receipt of satisfactory references.