



Joshua McTaggart appointed as Director of Theatres Trust

Theatres Trust, the national public advisory and advocacy body for theatres, has announced the appointment of Joshua McTaggart as its new Director. Joshua will join Theatres Trust in December, taking over from outgoing Director Jon Morgan, who is stepping down after eight years in the role.

Joshua was previously the founding Artistic Director of the Bunker Theatre in London Bridge and served as the CEO of the Chelsea Theatre during its multi-million-pound capital refurbishment. He currently works in the London Borough of Lambeth's Culture and Creative Economy Division as Cultural Development Manager.

Joshua McTaggart says, It is a real privilege to be entrusted to lead the dedicated team at Theatres Trust as we continue to ensure every person in the UK, no matter where they live, has access to inspirational live performances. I have experienced first-hand the important and life-changing role that theatres play in our communities, but it is undeniable that the current economic climate presents a multitude of challenges for theatres and the hard-working teams who programme, operate, and manage them. That said, I am hopeful for the future of our sector: I know that there are ambitious and talented people up and down the country who work tirelessly to ensure our theatres are fit for the future, and I am excited to support, empower, and advocate for them as the Theatres Trust's next Director.

Dave Moutrey, Chair of Theatres Trust says, Theatres Trust's Board is delighted to have appointed Joshua McTaggart to lead Theatres Trust in the next chapter of its development, building on the work undertaken by Jon Morgan to modernise the Trust. Joshua brings with him a fantastic amount of energy and passion for theatres, and we look forward to working with him to protect and support theatres across the UK.

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Theatres Trust

Theatres Trust is the national advice and advocacy body for the UK's theatres supporting all forms of theatres, whether old or new, commercial, subsidised or community-run.

We protect theatres and champion the future of live performance by advising and supporting our nation's theatres to develop best practice in design and management following the four principles of resilience, environmental sustainability, inclusivity and placemaking.

Joshua McTaggart

Joshua is currently the Cultural Development Manager for the London Borough of Lambeth, where he leads on cultural policy development, business support for the creative industries, creative placemaking, and sector-wide advocacy at a local, regional, and national level.

Prior to his work in local government, Joshua was a theatre director, producer, and general manager. He was the founding Artistic Director for the Bunker Theatre in London Bridge and the CEO of the Chelsea Theatre during a major multi-million-pound refurbishment.

During the pandemic, Josh worked as a consultant supporting cultural organisations and venues navigate the shifting government guidance around public venues and supported boards and senior leadership teams to develop more agile operational and financial models. His recent work includes roles at Wilton's Music Hall, Hoxton Hall, and the Roundhouse.

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