



# GLYNDEBOURNE

Leave a lasting legacy



# Helping secure Glyndebourne's future

Glyndebourne Archive



Audrey Mildmay and John Christie with their children George and Rosamund

From the beginning, my grandparents Audrey Mildmay and John Christie pursued their dream of presenting opera to the highest standards and I am committed to continuing their legacy for future generations. Every gift in every will helps us to maintain their vision and to plan more confidently for the future.

The Glyndebourne Festival does not receive any public subsidy and relies on the contribution of Members and Supporters through the Box Office, subscription income and donations. It is thanks to their generosity that Glyndebourne is as independent today as it was when the first performance took place in 1934.

Glyndebourne has always been a place where families of all ages, friends and guests come to enjoy the experience. It is more than a night at the opera; the gardens, the food and the setting give our visitors unique memories to take away with them. It is my aim to ensure that these special moments endure for the benefit of generations to come, regardless of the challenging times we may face. If Glyndebourne and what it represents are important to you, I hope you will consider including a gift to Glyndebourne in your will.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gus Christie'.

Gus Christie  
Executive Chairman



Sam Stephenson

Gus Christie with Danielle de Niese and his sons

## Create a lasting memorial...

Every year thousands of people enjoy outstanding performances at Glyndebourne and beyond; at touring venues, through our education work and in cinemas across the UK.

We hope that you will be inspired to leave a gift to Glyndebourne gaining the satisfaction of knowing that this will help to ensure the future of an organisation that you have loved during your lifetime.

Charlotte Boulton



*‘World class opera in unique surroundings – I wanted to ensure my two children have the chance to enjoy it as much as I have over the last 45 years’*

Glyndebourne Festival Member

To ensure your wishes are honoured, a legacy should be prepared in consultation with your legal advisor, however we are happy to discuss any queries you may have.

Bill Cooper



## Join the John Christie Society

The John Christie Society recognises and thanks individuals who are leaving a gift to Glyndebourne in their will.

Everyone who makes the thoughtful decision to leave a gift to Glyndebourne (and tells us of their intention) is invited to join the John Christie Society. The John Christie Society enjoy the opportunity to get closer to Glyndebourne through invites to events, as well as recognition in the Festival Programme book.

*'It feels like I'm leaving the gift to a member of our family'* JCS Member

We understand that some people prefer to keep the personal decision of leaving a legacy private, but we would be delighted to hear from you if you feel able to let us know so that we can **thank you during your lifetime**.

## Get in touch

Letting us know about your gift will be treated in the strictest confidence and does not place you under any obligation. Please contact the Membership and Development Department on +44 (0)1273 815 400

## Already made a will?

A codicil is a simple way of adding to your will without rewriting the main provisions. A codicil is available on our website [glyndebourne.com/legacy](http://glyndebourne.com/legacy)



## Useful Information

Legacies can be made by way of a gift of cash, shares or property and your solicitor can advise you on writing your will.

## Types of Legacy

**Specific Legacy:** a gift (bequest) or a specific item or asset to a named person.

**Residual Legacy:** a gift of all or part of the property remaining in your estate after debts, expenses and specific bequest have been paid.

**Reversionary Legacy:** a gift to enable your specified family or friends to retain your estate for their lifetime, before passing it on to Glyndebourne.

**Pecuniary Legacy:** a monetary gift of a fixed sum.

## Deed of Variation

If you become a beneficiary of someone else's will, you may wish to consider transferring the whole or part of that inheritance to Glyndebourne using a deed of variation. The gift would be exempt from inheritance tax which would otherwise have been payable out of the estate.

## Inheritance tax

Anyone leaving 10% of their taxable estate to charity will qualify for a reductive rate of inheritance tax. For more information visit [legacy10.com](http://legacy10.com) **LEGACY10**

## Gifts from overseas

If you are a US citizen or resident, gifts or bequests passing to Glyndebourne Association America Inc. either under your will or otherwise will be fully deductible for US estate tax purposes.



# Give a gift for future generations

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