



trust news

The Daphne Jackson Trust

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All Change - New Chief Executive, New Trustees, New Friends

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New Chief Executive

Congratulations to Dr Katie Perry who has been appointed the new Chief Executive of the Daphne Jackson Trust. Katie has plans to increase the profile and work of the Trust and is delighted to have the opportunity to lead the Trust.

Being Chief Executive of the Trust is more than simply a job to Katie, it is clear that she is dedicated and passionate about the cause. Daphne was Katie's Head of Department at the University of Surrey. "Daphne was an amazing lady, with a brilliant mind and a great sense of humour", says Katie, "she helped me enormously and was a great mentor to me, so it just seems right that I am now taking the Trust forward. I am sure she would be very proud of what we have achieved."

Katie is ideally placed to take on the position having worked for the Trust for eight years. Initially working only one day a week offering some press and PR support, Katie's hours increased over the years until she became Trust Manager and now Chief Executive.

When asked about the future Katie replied, "All organisations have to evolve, we are currently undergoing a review with plans to create a firm foundation on which to move forward. Its an exciting time and we have much to look forward to."

New Trustees

The Trust is delighted to welcome seven new Trustees, following the placement of public adverts earlier in the year. The new Trustees come from a variety of backgrounds and bring a wealth of new experience and new ideas to the governance of the Trust. Four of the new Trustees will sit on the F&GP committee and three will sit on the Awards Committee.

The new Trustees who will sit on F&GP are:

- Ms Wendy Harle, Director, Research Office, Durham University
- Dr Mary Phillips, Director of Research Planning, UCL
- Mrs Janet Purnell, DEFRA Consultancy work
- Professor Ted Smith, Consulting Engineer and Honorary Professor at University of Central Lancashire

The new Trustees who will sit on Awards Committee are:

- Professor Rob Eason, Deputy Director, Optoelectronics Research Centre, University of Southampton
- Professor Sibel Roller, Head of Graduate School, University of West London
- Professor Nigel Mason, OBE, Associate Dean, Dept of Physics and Astronomy, Open University



Awards Committee

Mrs Susan Bird
Professor Ingemar Cox,
Professor Rob Eason
Professor Gillian Gehring
Mr Philip Greenish (Chair)
Mrs Dorothy Hatfield
Professor Dame Julia Higgins
Professor Nigel Mason
Professor Emma Raven
Professor Sibel Roller
Dr Catherine O'Sullivan
Professor Nicola Woodroffe

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New Friends

There is a great deal of interest in the work of the Trust and also lots of goodwill and offers of help, so the Trust is formalising a category of people called 'Friends of the Trust'. The network of 'Friends' will be kept regularly updated about what is going on and encouraged to spread the word about the Trust and its Fellows. The Trust is looking to establish a flourishing network which will include a 'Friend' in every university in the UK. Following the hugely positive response to the Trustees adverts we have asked a number of people to become 'Friends' and four of these will also sit on the Awards Committee.

The new Friends who will sit on the Awards Committee are:

- Professor Ingemar Cox, Dept of Computer Science, UCL
- Dr Catherine O'Sullivan, Dept of Civil Engineering, Imperial College
- Professor Emma Raven, Dept of Chemistry, University of Leicester
- Professor Nicola Woodroffe, Head, Biomedical Research Centre, Sheffield Hallam University.

If you would like to become a 'Friend of the Trust' please contact Jan West 01483 689166 or j.west@surrey.ac.uk

Research Councils pledge future funding

The Chief Executive and Fellowship Administrator had an extremely positive meeting with the Research Councils before the summer where the Memorandum of Understanding covering the sponsorship of fellowships was renewed for a further three years. The Research Councils currently sponsoring fellows are EPSRC, BBSRC, STFC, NERC and MRC.

Green Tokens at Waitrose

The Daphne Jackson Trust was delighted to be chosen as one of the charities of the month, at Waitrose supermarket, Godalming, for the month of August.

Waitrose' Community Matters gives a share of the supermarket's profit to small charities. Causes and charities are nominated by customers and three are selected by partners (staff) each month. Customers place green tokens, given at the checkout, into the box of their chosen charity.

Apart from the financial benefit, this proved a great advertising opportunity for the Trust, with a number of enquirers contacting the office after visiting the supermarket.

If you would like to nominate the Daphne Jackson Trust to your local Waitrose supermarket, please contact the office and we will send you a pack to take along to the store.



Daphne Jackson Trust at the Wrexham Science Fair



Past fellow Jill Stocks spoke at the Wrexham Science Fair about the Trust and its work. Jill brought along her two daughters, one is studying biology at university and the other is about to start an engineering degree, as a way of showing that returning women to STEM careers can encourage girls into science.

Past Fellows showcase their success at a Cambridge AWISE event

Katie Perry led a discussion on returning to a Career in STEM at Lucy Cavendish College in Cambridge on Tues 14 June, for members of Cambridge AWISE. Katie talked about the fellowship scheme and introduced past fellows Elizabeth Crilly, Olga Gandelman and Erica Bithell to share their experiences.

Regional Groups

The Daphne Jackson Trust has a number of regional networking groups around the country, in Oxford, Scotland, The North West, Cambridge and Surrey which are up and running or soon to be up and running. Fellows meet over coffee, lunch or dinner and share experiences. Current and Future Fellows find it useful to speak to those who have successfully completed their fellowship while Past Fellows enjoy keeping in contact with each other. The Oxford Group met for lunch on the 24th June to welcome a number of new members.

A fellow who has recently finished her fellowship wrote, "If I had any advice for future Daphne Jackson Fellows it would be to make contact with other Fellows".

If you would like to be involved with any of these groups, please contact Jan West at the Trust office.

We are also hoping to start groups in Kent and The Severn Estuary area and are looking for more members for the Kent group and a coordinator for the Severn Estuary group. Again, if interest in helping, please contact Jan West.

Dates for your diary



Board Meetings:

14th October 2011: [Board Meeting](#) 4.15pm at the Institute of Physics in London

20 March 2012: [Board Meeting](#) followed by [AGM](#), 4pm for meeting, 6pm for the AGM, drinks reception after the AGM. To be held in London, venue tbc.

Courses for Fellows:

[Presentation Skills Course](#), 10th October 2011 at the University of Surrey in Guildford.

[Media Skills Course](#), 11th November 2011 in Guildford

[Work-life Balance Course](#), 23rd January 2012, Guildford

[Professional Skills Course](#), 16th May 2012, Guildford

[Presentation Skills Course](#), 8th October 2012 in Edinburgh

[Media Skills Course](#), 9th November 2012 in York

Past Fellows are also invited to attend the above courses for a modest fee.

For further details on the courses please contact Christine Sharpe, Trust Administrator in the Trust Office on 01483 689166 or c.sharpe@surrey.ac.uk

2012

2012 is set to be a great year. While the nation celebrates with the London Olympics, the Trust will celebrate the [20th anniversary of the formation of the Daphne Jackson Trust](#).

The United Nations has declared 2012 to be '[The Year of Sustainable Energy](#)', which hopefully will lead to raised public awareness and interesting scientific debate. It has also been designated Alan Turing Year, commemorating the mathematician, computer pioneer, and code-breaker on the centennial of Turing's birth.

The theme for the [British Science Festival in 2012](#) is 'Energising Minds' and the proposed location is Aberdeen.

[National Science & Engineering Week](#) (NSEW) is planned for 9–18 March 2012 while the [Cheltenham Science Festival](#) will be held 12 – 17th June 2012.



fellows in post

Title	Host	Sponsor	Subject
Dr Jackie Ferguson	NIBSC	BBSRC	Molecular Biology
Dr Allen Mswaka	Queen's University, Belfast	BBSRC	Microbiology
Mrs Janet Harwood	University of Cardiff	BBSRC	Bioinformatics
Dr David Ayre	Cranfield University	EPSRC	chemistry
Dr Gerhard Ziebold	University of Leeds	EPSRC	Molecular Biology
Dr Modupeola Jimoh	Loughborough University	Loughborough University/EPSRC	Chemistry
Dr Kate O'Neill	University of Oxford	GlaxoSmithkline	Molecular Biology
Dr Joanna Brzeczczynska	University of Edinburgh	Leverhulme Trust	Molecular Biology
Dr Pritilata Chivers	University of Surrey	MRC	Molecular Biology
Dr Frances Pearl	ICR (Sutton)	MRC	Bioinformatics
Dr Solveigh Lass-Evans	British Geological Survey	NERC	Geochemistry
Dr Debbie Frederickson-Matika	University of Edinburgh	University of Edinburgh	Biological Sciences
Dr Reyna Al-Ashaab	Cranfield University	NERC	biohazards
Dr Christine Rogers	University of Leeds	NERC	Nuclear / Chemistry
Dr Sarah Buckland	University of Sheffield	NERC	Ecology
Dr Beate Nurnberger	University of Edinburgh	NERC	Ecology
Dr Miranda Smallwood	Peninsula Medical School	Peninsula Medical School/MRC	Biosciences
Dr Jenny Oliver	University of Kent	Rolls-Royce plc	Chemistry
Mrs Caroline Graham	Heriot-Watt University	Royal Academy of Engineering	material science
Dr Rebecca Ward	University of Cambridge	Royal Academy of Engineering	Engineering
Dr Tzanka Kokalova	University of Birmingham	STFC	Physics
Dr Patricia Sanchez-Baracaldo	University of Bristol	University of Bristol	Biological Sciences
Ms Dalia Zakaria	University of Bristol	University of Bristol	Microbiology
Dr Rowena Hoare	University of Stirling	University of Stirling	Aquaculture
Dr Nahla El-Tai	University of the West of England	University of the West of England	Molecular Biology

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