



YOUR INVITATION

THE PATRONS CIRCLE

As an independent charity, we rely on the generosity of people who share our belief that the arts are valuable and should be treasured, that our history and heritage is worth preserving and that culture, heritage and nature create happier, healthier lives.

We invite you to join us

WEST HORSLEY PLACE

SHAPED BY CENTURIES AND STORIES

West Horsley Place was the much-loved home of Mary, Duchess of Roxburghe until her death in 2014. To his great surprise, she left the estate to her great-nephew, broadcaster and writer Bamber Gascoigne (1935-2022).

Bamber and his wife Christina recognised not only the historical significance of the place, but also its unique atmosphere - a spirit of creativity, calm, and possibility. They had a clear vision for a future where the estate would be conserved and open for everyone to enjoy, with culture, heritage and nature at its heart; and so the West Horsley Place Trust was born.

We are an extraordinary historic house and estate in the heart of Surrey; with 400 acres of woodland, historic gardens and outbuildings and at the heart of the estate, the 15th century manor house.

Today, the house stands not just as a historic structure, but as a living place whose story continues to unfold. As a charity we have a joint mission: to conserve and protect the heritage in our care, and to enrich people's lives through culture, heritage and nature.



WHAT YOU
SUPPORT WHEN
YOU JOIN THE
PATRONS CIRCLE





YOUR SUPPORT WILL
Increase access to culture,
heritage and nature for all
through our growing public
programme of theatre,
exhibitions, talks and tours.

YOUR SUPPORT WILL

Fund the conservation and restoration of an important part of local, regional and national heritage.

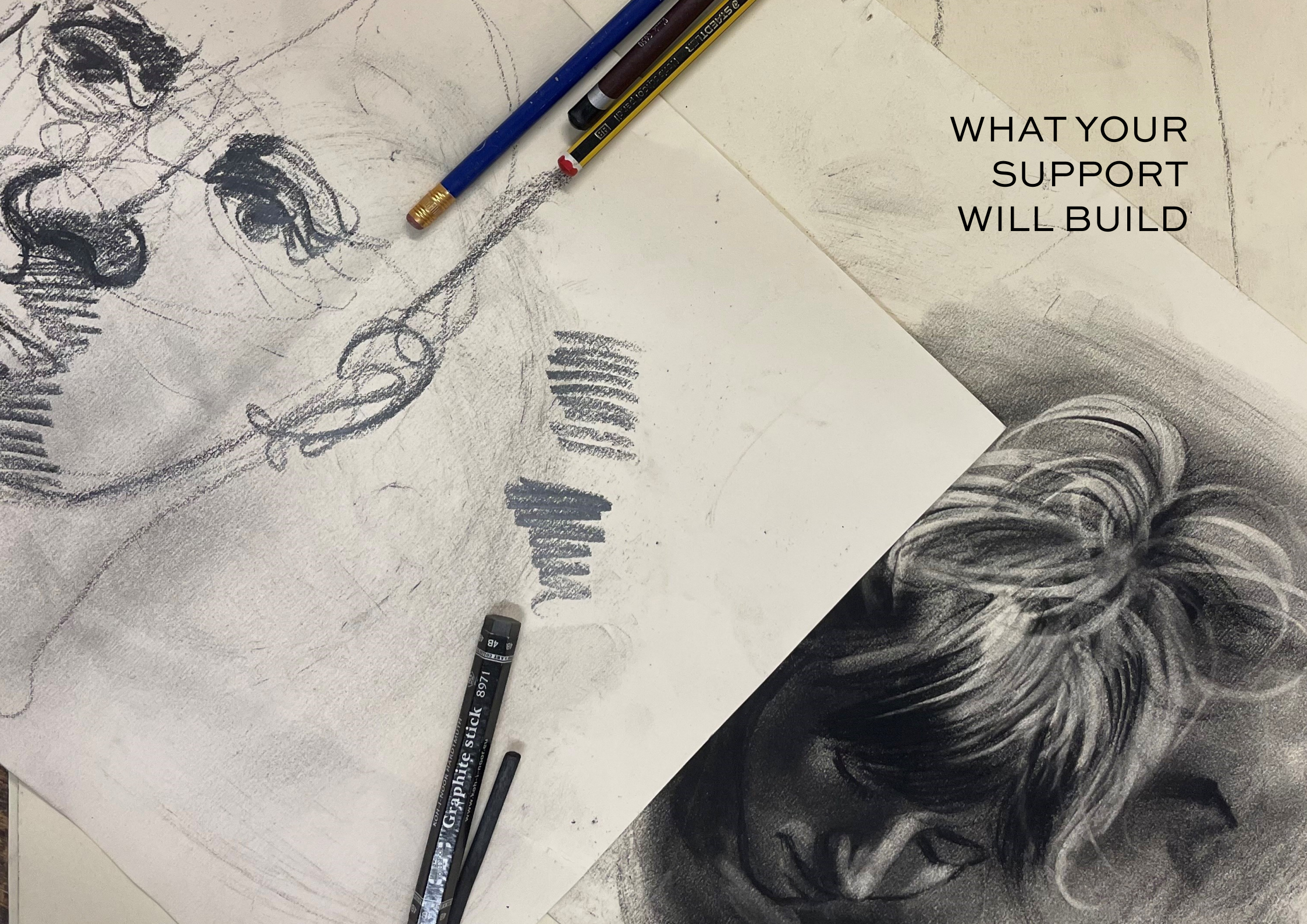




YOUR SUPPORT WILL

Increase biodiversity and woodland habitat connectivity, bringing an abundance of flora and wildlife to the estate to support positive environmental change.

WHAT YOUR
SUPPORT
WILL BUILD





THE FUTURE AT WEST HORSLEY PLACE

SHAPED BY NEW THINKING

We are building a future where heritage, creativity, wellbeing and the natural world come together in powerful harmony.

We will restore and protect our historic house and estate, not as a static monument, but as a living, vibrant place filled with culture, performance and discovery.

We will create a visitor programme rooted in the unique stories and spaces of West Horsley Place.





We will make this a sanctuary for wellbeing, inclusion and community — a place where everyone feels welcome, and where young people in particular can find support and inspiration, with a focus on children experiencing mental health challenges. Our intention is to become a national resource for schools and those most in need.

We will create sector leading models for environmental sustainability at rural estates, restoring habitats, enhancing biodiversity and demonstrating nature-based solutions for the future that we hope will be a blueprint for our peers.



We will nurture creativity by supporting artists, makers and future practitioners, offering studios, residencies and exhibitions. Our hope is to create a community of artists and makers, and through partnerships with established collections exhibit emerging talent alongside established names.

We will offer pathways into heritage and the arts through apprenticeship programmes. Formal connections to sector bodies and further education colleges will give students the chance to learn outside the classroom with a real-life case study.

We will build financial resilience through thoughtful partnerships and enterprise offering spaces to likeminded creative businesses that add to our visitor experience.

We are at the very start of our journey and we invite you to join us as one of our Founding Patrons.





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PATRON

Annual Gift: £1,500 per individual / £2,250 per couple

Recognition & Connection:

- * Acknowledgment as a Patron on WHP website.
- * Invitation to the annual Patrons Dinner.
- * Personal booking assistance for public events and selected tours.
- * Regular Patron e-newsletter with updates on conservation work and estate developments.

PRINCIPAL PATRON

Annual Gift: £4,000 per individual / £6,000 per couple

In addition to Patron benefits:

- * Prominent recognition as a Principal Patron.
- * Invitation to an intimate annual gathering with the leadership team and trustees, hosted at the Manor House.
- * Early previews of major restoration and cultural projects.

Joining the Patrons Circle is more than the giving of a gift - it is a partnership.

We invite you to walk alongside us in reviving West Horsley Place to become a place where culture, heritage and nature come together to support creativity, wellbeing and inspiration for all.

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