



What's your favourite memory of Theatre Royal Wakefield?

I performed in the first Wakefield Youth Music Production – West Side Story and have always loved being on the stage. My daughter now attends Performance Academy. In terms of Theatre Royal Wakefield specifically, it is a lovely, quaint little theatre with lots going on for the community – not just performances but projects to be a part of. – Dan

What do you hope the future holds for Theatre Royal Wakefield?

I visited a few years ago with my young family, as my son grew up he joined Performance Academy and we continued to visit as a family. Performance Academy has helped improve the children's confidence. I want to make sure Theatre Royal Wakefield is around for future generations to enjoy and benefit from as we have. – Julia



By leaving a legacy in your Will to Theatre Royal Wakefield, you are ensuring the joy and magic of live theatre can be experienced for generations to come. Your gift, no matter the size, could go towards any number of projects. From providing a bursary so a young person can attend our Performance Academy, to reupholstering seats in our Victorian auditorium, and everything in between.

If you have included Theatre Royal Wakefield in your Will and are happy to tell us, we would love the opportunity to thank you for your support. There is no need to give us details of your gift but if you would like to, please complete the form in this leaflet, all information will be treated in confidence.

As a thank you, we would be delighted to invite you to exclusive events and keep you up to date on all the goings on at the Theatre.

For more information on leaving a gift in your Will to Theatre Royal Wakefield, please call 01924 211 311 and ask for the Development Team, or email development@theatreroyalwakefield.co.uk.

You can also visit our website www.theatreroyalwakefield.co.uk/support-us/gift-in-will

Jargon explained

Will – a legal document containing details of who you want to receive your estate when you die.

Pecuniary gift – a cash gift of a specific amount.

Estate – everything you own at your time of death, both physical such as your house, and non-physical, for example investments.

Legacy – a gift of a specific amount or item that you leave in your Will.

Letter of wishes – is not legally binding and acts as a record of your intentions.

Residuary Estate – the sum to be distributed to the named beneficiaries after expenses, legacies and liabilities have been deducted.

Asset – parts of your estate which are worth money.

Codicil – A codicil is an addition or change to your Will.

Non-binding wish – the charity can choose whether or not to comply with your wish.



Theatre Royal Wakefield

Legacies



Share the magic of theatre with the next generation. Leave a gift in your Will

It's easier than you think to leave a gift in your Will and no gift is too small to make a lasting difference.

A gift in your Will costs you nothing now, and by remembering us you will be helping future generations to enjoy Theatre Royal Wakefield, as you do today.

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Leaving a legacy is something that everyone can do. Remembering us in your Will can make a great difference to our work in the future and your support will have a lasting impact on Theatre Royal Wakefield.

One simple sentence in your Will is all it takes to ensure a dynamic future for Theatre Royal Wakefield. And leaving just 1% of your estate can make a difference.

Our theatre holds a special place in the hearts of many. This may be because their career began on our stage or because of the wonderful memories of meeting friends and family for a night of joy and wonder. Please consider leaving a gift in your Will and help us continue bringing joy for years to come.



Gifts in Wills

The first thing to remember when leaving a gift to us in your Will is to include our full name, registered address, and charity number: Wakefield Theatre Trust, Drury Lane, Wakefield, West Yorkshire, WF1 2TE. Registered Charity Number: 503597.

The second, is that your gift can take multiple forms.

You could leave:

- **A pecuniary gift (such as a cash legacy or particular asset).**
- **A share of your residuary estate (once you've taken care of loved ones).**

You can:

- **Leave a gift to us when you make a new Will.**
- **Amend your existing Will using a codicil form.**
- **Complete a letter of wishes (although this is not legally binding).**

As a registered charity, no inheritance tax is payable on the amount of your gift. So in addition to supporting us, your legacy gift could also reduce the inheritance tax liability on your estate. Anyone leaving a minimum 10% of their taxable estate to charity can qualify for a reduced rate, down from the usual 40% of taxable wealth to 36%.



Legacy gifts support all our work at Theatre Royal Wakefield. You may wish to stipulate a specific area of the Theatre you would like your gift to go towards. If so, we would please ask you to consider expressing your wish as a non-binding wish. This will then allow us to put your money to use in other areas in case the area stipulated in your Will is no longer applicable.



We recommend you seek the help of a solicitor when writing your Will.

In Memory Giving

In Memory Giving refers to a donation made by family and friends after a loved one has passed away. Making a donation in someone's memory is a wonderful way to honour the life of a loved one as well as helping a charity close to their heart.

Collections can be arranged as part of the funeral or can be set up online - this can be arranged with your chosen funeral directors. We will be happy to work alongside yourself and the funeral directors to ensure your wishes are met.

If this is something you would like to happen, speak to your family and let them know your wishes.



Alternatively, contact our Development Team (details on the front of this leaflet) to discuss the different ways you could honour a loved one, encapsulating their memory within the Theatre for years to come.

Pledge Form

If you have included Theatre Royal Wakefield in your Will and would like us to know, please complete the form below.

We will be sure to handle your information with the utmost care and confidentiality.

First name

Surname

Email address

Phone number

Address

Postcode

Would you like to receive emails from us regarding our shows, events, and fundraising activities?

Yes No

If you are happy to do so, please let us know why you have chosen to leave a gift in your Will to Theatre Royal Wakefield:

Thank you for your support.