

What The ABF can do for you

The Actors' Benevolent Fund is here to help actors and theatrical stage managers who cannot work due to an accident, illness or old age.

In the past the Fund has:

- provided regular allowances for those in need
- paid for convalescent care and holidays for those recovering from major illnesses
- paid for extra nutrition costs for people with serious illnesses
- paid the shortfall on nursing home fees for those in long term care
- provided wheelchairs and replaced domestic items such as cookers, beds etc.
- helped those trying to return to work after an illness or accident

"Thank you very much for the bed and bedding ...the bed gives me a good night's sleep now."

The Actors' Benevolent Fund would like to thank Anthony Andrews for his kindness in sponsoring this leaflet

Founded 1882

Actors' Benevolent Fund

Patron: HRH The Prince of Wales

Every year the Fund aims to give away between £250,000 and £320,000 to help those in need.

If you are an actor or a theatrical stage manager and cannot work because you are elderly, ill or have had an accident you can ask for help from the Fund.

**All you need to do is telephone or write to the General Secretary and ask for an application form – or print a form from The ABF website:
www.actorsbenevolentfund.co.uk**

"As you are well aware, times have been difficult for our family recently, but your generosity, personal understanding and friendship have been a wonderful lifeline."

What you can do for The ABF

- Encourage someone who needs help to get in touch with the Fund.
- Join the Fund. Membership is only open to actors. Members pay a yearly subscription and are entitled to vote at the AGM. Subscriptions help the work of The ABF.
- Go on the Christmas card mailing list and buy ABF cards. Just give the office your name and address – you don't need to be an ABF member.
- Send in a donation. Please ask for a Gift Aid form if you are a taxpayer.
- Run a fund raising event for the Fund or take a collection at an existing event.
- Leave The ABF a legacy in your will so that in future years the Fund can still carry on caring for actors as it has done since 1882.

"I'm so very grateful for all you do for us, not just for the financial help but also for 'being there'. You have been so wonderfully kind – keeping the ABF flag-a-flying as people come and go – it gives me such emotional security and comfort. Bless you."

Please help the ABF if you can

- I am an actor and would like to join The ABF. Please send me an application form
- I would like to receive The ABF Christmas card brochure.
- I am thinking about leaving The ABF a legacy. Please send me details.
- I enclose a donation.
- Please send me a Gift Aid form.

If you are a taxpayer the Fund can reclaim tax on any donation you make using the Gift Aid scheme.

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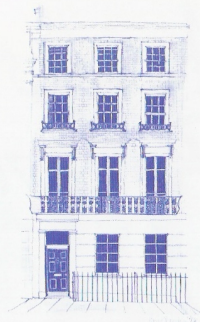
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The Actors' Benevolent Fund was founded in 1882 by Sir Henry Irving and a group of his friends. The Fund is still looking after actors from its Adam Street headquarters, just off the Strand, in the heart of theatreland.

The Fund is run by a Council of sixteen members who also appoint the President and Vice Presidents. The Council is assisted by members of the Fund, all of whom are actors.

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