

## The Worthington Circle at Harris Manchester College University of Oxford



**The Worthington Circle** recognises, celebrates, and thanks all those who have committed to leaving a legacy gift to Harris Manchester College, Oxford.

Thank you for thinking of the college in your Will. Legacy commitments to Harris Manchester College ensure the vitality of the college and create a firm foundation for the education of future generations of Oxford students aged 21 years and over.

Named in honour of the social reformer and architect, Thomas Worthington, who along with his son Percy designed and built the main college quad between 1889 and 1893, this legacy circle ensures that other visionary benefactors are given the opportunity to help build a sustainable and strong future for Harris Manchester College.



As you think about becoming a member of the Worthington Circle, we encourage you to share your thinking with us. Your legacy can serve as a reflection of your values, a testament to success, or an inspirational message. Some donors even choose to commemorate the life and times of a loved one, perhaps someone to whom they feel they owe their own achievements, whether a relative, cherished friend, inspirational leader or respected thinker. Harris Manchester College wishes to recognise and celebrate the lives of its legacy donors and those they care about, and we would be delighted to discuss named recognition for any substantial bequest gifts.

When you inform us that you have included Harris Manchester College in your Will, we encourage you to provide some form of documentation of your intentions. This allows the college to put into place the correct channels to realise your intentions for the gift, and also to steward and direct your gift appropriately. Relevant documentation could include an extract from your Will, or a signed letter setting out your intentions. All such documentation will be stored securely and treated in the strictest of confidence unless otherwise directed.

### **Worthington Circle Membership**

There are two main ways to join the Worthington Circle:

- A Pecuniary (specific) bequest of money or property,
- A Residuary bequest of the remainder of the estate, or proportion of the remainder of the estate, after specific bequests have been distributed.

Membership offers three levels of stewardship to accommodate personal preferences for recognition or privacy.

**Full** - This includes invitations to special events where donors will be appropriately recognised for their generosity.

**Discreet** - This entails no wider public recognition of the gift, and invitations to events where members will be identifiable only as a friend of the College. Donor identity will not be shared outside of the College.

**Anonymous** - This entails no public recognition of the gift at all, and invitations to events where members will be identifiable only as a friend of the College. Donor identity will be strictly confined to the Principal and Development Office.

### **Gift Directions**

Worthington Circle members, like all donors to the College, are free to direct their gift to the area of their choice. It may be helpful to consider the following:

#### ***Non-Endowed (Draw-Down) or Endowed***

The main non-endowed (draw-down) or endowed funds for Gift direction are:

- The HMC Principal's Discretionary Fund
- The HMC Student Support and Welfare Fund
- The HMC Teaching and Scholarship Fund
- The HMC Estates, Culture and Heritage Fund

It may also be helpful to your legal representative to know that Harris Manchester College is registered charity number: 1143086.

Thank you for your thoughtful and meaningful commitment to Harris Manchester. We are very grateful to all those who have chosen to remember our College in this significant way.

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