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Professor Dapo Akande
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Neeti Bhalla
(Kenya & Templeton 1998)

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(South Africa-at-Large and St John’s 1985)

Professor Charlotte Deane MBE
(Pennsylvania & Merton 1975)

Mike Fitzpatrick AO
(Western Australia & St John’s 1975)

Dr Menaka Guruswamy
(India & University 1998)

Robert Harrison
(New Jersey & St John’s 1976)

Glen James

Dr Tarin Makadzange
(Zimbabwe & Balliol 1999)

Swati Mylavarapu
(Florida & Wolfson 2005)

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(California & Worcester 1981)

Bob Sternfels
(California & Worcester 1992)

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Sir John Hood KNZM
(New Zealand & Worcester 1976)

Michael McCaffery
(Pennsylvania & Merton 1975)

John McCall MacBain O.C.
(Québec & Wadham 1980)

Nicholas Oppenheimer

Hon. Karen Stevenson
(Maryland/DC & Magdalen 1979)

Professor Ngaire Woods CBE
(New Zealand & Balliol 1987)

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(Queensland & Balliol 1983)

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The one word that best describes 2022/23 is celebration. We welcomed 1,300 Scholars and friends in June to commemorate 120 years of the Rhodes Scholarships. The completion of the building project was another major milestone, the product of many years of effort, and it is heart-warming to see our Scholars in Residence enjoying the beautiful spaces. Our partnership programmes go from strength to strength, and we look forward to welcoming the first ever cohort for the Oxford Next Horizons Programme in January. The Mandela Rhodes Foundation celebrated its 20th anniversary, the Schmidt Science Fellows Program reached the five-year point and both the Atlantic Institute and Rise held major convenings at Rhodes House over the summer.

At moments of great celebration, there also needs to be work put in to ensure the future remains just as bright. Five years ago, I communicated the 125th Strategic Plan at the start of my wardenship, and we are currently working on updating this and making sure it reflects the full richness of our community. Some important steps have already been completed which can be read about in this report, including expansion progress, updates to selection and the launch of the Exponential Potential campaign to support people, places and programmes.

Already so many in our community give generously to help support our work, and many more volunteer their time and energy. The Rhodes Scholarships are a true collective community endeavour, with a wonderful intergenerational connection. I am hugely proud of the achievements of our Scholars in Residence, and of Alumni across the globe. Thank you for giving back, paying it forward and helping ensure the next 120 years of the Rhodes Scholarships will be vibrant.

Best wishes,

Dr Elizabeth Kiss,
Warden of Rhodes House and CEO of the Rhodes Trust
A Rhodes Scholar Year

As we approached the summer of 2022 in Oxford, pandemic-related adjustments to the Scholar in Residence experience faded into the background, and our attention shifted towards two significant milestones for Rhodes House: the planned reopening in the upcoming spring, and the much-anticipated 120th Anniversary Celebrations in the coming summer.

The summer marked the departure of many of the Class of 2020, a cohort whose university experience was significantly impacted by the pandemic. We organised several special events for them, including a celebratory ‘Class Pub Takeover’ at the Vicky Arms. The Class of 2020 Going Down Dinner, which took place at the Oxford Randolph Hotel, was particularly poignant.

During this academic year, we had 301 Scholars engaged in full-time study across four years – 147 in research degrees, 146 on taught courses (including six Scholars reading for the 2nd BA) and eight on the Rhodes Service Year. The spread across academic divisions followed a similar pattern as in previous years. For research degrees, 6% were in Humanities, 30% in Social Sciences, 27% in Medical Sciences and 37% in Mathematical, Physical & Life Sciences. For taught Master’s programmes, 16% were in Humanities, 68% in Social Sciences, 11% in Medical Sciences and 1% in Mathematical, Physical & Life Sciences. A further 3% took full-time courses under the auspices of the Department for Continuing Education, which crosses academic divisions. Four Scholars read PPE, one Jurisprudence and one Philosophy and Theology. We were proud to support three Scholars at the Ruskin School of Fine Art, two on the taught MFA and one in the DPhil. It is not possible to report full academic results this year, because of the delays caused by the marking boycott. However, of 69 results achieved to date, 51 were at the level of Distinction or Merit.

We held activities exploring character, service and community

From Michaelmas term, we reintroduced the informal ‘Meet and Mingles’ at Rhodes House; these remain quite popular, albeit somewhat smaller compared to the pre-pandemic era. The gatherings were hosted in the Rosebery room, accommodating up to 50 Scholars at a time, due to restrictions on accessing larger rooms like the McCall MacBain Hall (previously, Milner Hall), where these events have traditionally been held.

Throughout the year, the Scholar experience reflected a combination of ‘firsts’, with the embedding of new post-pandemic traditions and a re-emergence of firm favourites from the ‘before’ times. Two special ‘firsts’ were Scholar-led cultural and religious events – the first Oxford-based Langar (a Sikh tradition of a free community meal), and a festive Shabbat meal hosted in Rhodes House, open to the multi-faith Scholar in Residence community as well as members of local faith communities.

For the second time, Scholars attended an Applications Workshop, organised with the invaluable assistance of a small group of upper-year Scholars known as the Scholar Programme Facilitators (SPFs). This workshop, held at the Examination Schools during Michaelmas term, is designed to guide Scholars through applications for second courses. Faculty members from across the University and other Scholars provided valuable advice and tips on selecting second Master’s programmes and what to consider when pursuing a DPhil.
Additionally, First Years attended an Orientation Evening, introducing them to the Rhodes Scholar Character, Service and Leadership Programme (CSLP). This event brought the cohort together to explore the various paths to becoming a Rhodes Scholar, leading with impact and building a community. At the end of Michaelmas term (for Second Years) and the end of Hilary term (for First Years), Scholars again participated in offsite weekend Retreats for the CSLP. These Retreats, themed ‘No One Way to Lead’ for First Years and ‘No One Way to Build a Good Life’ for Second Years, were held in Warwickshire. Scholars spent time together in Learning Pods (small group discussions facilitated by Alumni) supported by core readings, plenary activities and talks, and with Scholar-organised evening social activities exploring themes of character, service and community.

Another returning feature of the year was the successful termly Warden’s Book Club, in which a small group of Scholars discuss works authored by Rhodes Alumni. The year marked the return of several pre-pandemic favourites, notably the reopening of travel opportunities for the first time since 2019. Two groups of Scholars (about 12 per group), with the generous support of an Alumnus, had the opportunity to hike in Patagonia in South America in the spring, in what was described as a “truly spectacular trip, full of rich conversations and deep reflections” and “an experience of a lifetime” by some participants. As the year progressed and Rhodes House reopened in the spring, we also resumed many traditional Oxford-based events, including the joyful open mic event, the garden party for Oxford supervisors and an auction of promises organised by the Rhodes Scholars Africa Forum (RSAF), held in the newly opened McCall MacBain Hall.

With the weather warming up, Scholars also enjoyed the local outdoors, visiting a Cotswold lavender farm and attending a nature walk hosted again by Trustee Glen James and Amanda James. In the summer of 2022, a second annual DPhil Residential Writing Retreat was held over several days in Windsor, and a number of writing breakthroughs were made. And, in the Rhodes Trust, the Scholar Affairs & Programming teams continued to work closely with the Warden and in consultation with SPFs to establish policies on how the Trust supports and oversees Scholar groups, trips and events transparently, consistently and fairly.

The highlight of the summer of 2023 was undoubtedly the Rhodes Trust 120th Anniversary Celebrations. Scholars in Residence designed their own programme alongside and in collaboration with the Trust and partnership organisations, featuring various activities including park runs, an open mic night, and a high-stakes auction to raise funds, once again organised by the ARSAF/FIFI. Also, significantly, and as promised to Scholars in Residence in 2020, the Trust supported several Alumni from the Classes of 2018 and 2019 to travel back to Oxford for a truly special event – The Big Return Celebratory Going Down Dinner, held at Rhodes House during the 120th Anniversary Celebrations.

With the almost three-year disruption caused by the pandemic and then the closure of Rhodes House behind us, we approached the end of the academic year in the summer of 2023 with excitement and gratitude. We look forward to seeing how the ‘new normal’ develops over the coming year.
Our 120th Anniversary Celebrations

June 2023 saw the largest ever gathering of Scholars. At over 100 events across Oxford, more than 1,300 members of our Rhodes community from across continents came together to celebrate global friendship, thought leadership and 120 years of the world’s oldest and pre-eminent international scholarship.

This was the inaugural major event to be held in the newly refurbished and expanded Rhodes House. Our three-year building project has been transformational, creating some of the most modern and sophisticated conferencing spaces in Oxford. Members of the Rhodes community were given a first chance to enjoy our new and renewed spaces as part of the anniversary celebrations.

Across three days crammed with activities, Scholars and their families were able to explore Oxford’s public and not-so-public places, enjoying guided tours, workshops, performances and informal time for networking and friendship. For those unable to travel to Oxford, there was the chance to join online for many of our gatherings.

Events included keynote talks on subjects from healthcare and education to global politics and artificial intelligence. Sharing individual stories of success (and the power of the occasional failure!), we joined together to reflect on and discuss Rhodes trailblazers and the place of the Trust and the Scholarship in the present and the future.

“The young people today may feel like there are so many hopeless things going on in the world. There are always hopeless things going on in the world, but there are a lot of good things too. Our job is to take what we’ve been given here and go and make the world a better place.”

President Bill Clinton (Arkansas & University 1968)
We have been looking back at the trailblazers who shaped our history, we have been reflecting on pivotal moments in the Trust’s history. We have been debating and discussing the important issues of the day: AI and ethics, we have been talking about geopolitics and climate change and entrepreneurship and health equity. We are a community that is committed to coming together across the world in this extraordinary space to learn, to engage and then to go out and take action.”

Dr Elizabeth Kiss, Warden of Rhodes House and CEO of the Rhodes Trust

The legacy of the Trust’s history was a particular point for reflection and debate. While we have moved beyond our past in important ways, much more is required. Our anniversary events offered a space for Scholars to learn about the work of the Trust’s Legacy, Equity & Inclusion advisory groups and how this is shaped by a spirit of acknowledgement, reconciliation and reparation.

Shaping a positive future depends on working with others, and our anniversary was an opportunity to celebrate the Trust’s partnership programmes and how much we are achieving together through the power of collaboration. Two of our partnership programmes were celebrating their own anniversaries.

It has been 20 years since the creation of the Mandela Rhodes Foundation, brought into being with President Nelson Mandela at the time of the Trust’s centenary. During its first two decades, the Mandela Rhodes Foundation has awarded 662 scholarships to outstanding young scholars and future leaders from 33 African countries and across 35 disciplines.

Five years ago, Schmidt Science Fellows, an initiative of Schmidt Futures, was set up in partnership with the Trust. The Program believes in a vision where interdisciplinary science flourishes without limit, accelerating discoveries to benefit the world and driving innovation that improves quality of life for all.

In addition, the celebrations gave us the chance to welcome friends from our other partnership programmes. The Atlantic Institute, established in 2016 with Atlantic Philanthropies, creates a lifelong community of leaders who connect, learn and collaborate across diverse perspectives to promote equity. Rise, an initiative of Schmidt Futures and the Rhodes Trust, is our newest partnership programme, building a network of promising young people working to serve others.

Over the 120 years of the Scholarship, the Rhodes Trust has brought more than 8,400 talented people to the University of Oxford to meet, to learn, to think and to make positive change in the world. Many have gone on to become political leaders and policymakers, eminent scientists and thinkers, activists, artists, teachers, doctors, writers and researchers. Marking these achievements and reflecting on the legacy of our past gives us new impetus to work together in a way that will bring lasting difference.

At the close of the celebrations, Scholars and friends came together to hear from distinguished guests about the place of the Trust in the work of the University and in ‘fighting the world’s fight’. Breaking bread together, Scholars were able to remind themselves of their Oxford experience and immerse themselves in the friendship and diversity of the Rhodes community. It was truly, as the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Irene Tracey, remarked in her welcome message, a chance to mark ‘a lifelong appreciation of just what the Rhodes community has brought’.
Over this year, we have collected together all books written by Scholars that have been donated to the Rosebery Room, forming a new ‘Alumni Library’. To coincide with the anniversary celebrations, we combined a selection with other significant works by Scholars, creating a ‘120 Books from 120 Years’ display.

Some of the choices were obvious: Pulitzer Prize winners like Robert Penn Warren (Kentucky & New College 1928)’s All The King’s Men and classic works like Edwin Hubble (Illinois & Queen’s 1910)’s The Realm of the Nebulae. But we deliberately included lesser-known works. Clearly ‘the best 120’ would be impossibly subjective – how can you rank a collection of poetry in relation to a prime minister’s autobiography? So we aimed for breadth and diversity: politicians and poets, scientists and sportsmen, doctors and dramatists.

The list contains books written by Scholars elected between 1904 (Lawrence H. Gipson (Idaho & Lincoln 1904)’s The British Empire Before the American Revolution) and 2018 (Jasmine Brown (Missouri & Hertford 2018)’s Twice As Hard). While a ‘one book per election year’ rule would have had its attractions, it would have presented a number of unenviable decisions – from 1968, Bill Clinton (Arkansas & University 1968)’s autobiography, My Life, or Robert Calderisi (Québec & St Peter’s 1968)’s timely Cecil Rhodes and Other Statues? From 2004, Cristina Began (North Carolina & Wadham 2004) or Topé Folarin (Texas & Harris Manchester 2004)? Both have done so much to promote the work of Rhodes Scholars working in the arts.

In the end, the rules were fairly simple – books must have been written, edited, or translated by a Rhodes Scholar, with no more than one book per Scholar. Sticking to those rules has been painful at times because it has meant excluding biographies of Scholars such as Bram Fischer (Orange Free State & New College 1931) and Howard Florey (South Australia & Magdalen 1921), and never was I more tempted to break the ‘one book per Scholar’ rule than to allow me to include both Robert Rotberg (New Jersey & University 1957)’s biography of Cecil Rhodes and his more recent Overcoming the Oppressors.

We chose the latter because if there is a theme running through the selections, it is the Trust’s mission of ‘standing up for the world’ and fighting oppression. Nowhere in the selections is this more poignant than Run Racist Run by Eusebius McKaiser (South Africa-at-Large & St Antony’s 2003) who died unexpectedly between us selecting and publishing the list.

You can see the full list at www.rhodeshouse.ox.ac.uk/impact-legacy/120-books-from-120-years/
Rhodes Connect Update

In late 2022, we launched a major change to the way Rhodes Connect members can keep up to date with the latest content and updates from the network. Scholar feedback was unanimous in requesting a move to a single weekly email aggregating content from across the network. We also took this opportunity to include content that had never been featured in email updates before, most notably event listings and the Scholars in the News section. The latter, a collection of articles from mainstream media about or written by Rhodes Scholars, has proven to be by far the most popular feature of the new digest. Other communications from the Trust have often included a small selection of these, but the Rhodes Connect digest allows much more extensive listings, averaging around 40 items a month.

This has also proved to be an easy way for Scholars to contribute their own news – many of the items featured are sent in by Scholars in reply to earlier copies of the digest. You are always welcome to send these to connect@rhodeshouse.ox.ac.uk. The weekly feature has also allowed us to highlight new (and older) works by Scholars, usually accompanied by an article written by the author for the Trust’s public blog or for a private audience of Scholars on Rhodes Connect. The book of the week often ties in with the author’s appearance in the Scholars’ Library monthly book talk series, part of the Lifelong Fellowship portfolio.

The new digest has made it easier for Scholars to interact with the community through Rhodes Connect without the need to log in. In a similar vein, we are currently working on improving Scholar-to-Scholar messaging so that this is also easier without logging in. A common request from Scholars is a searchable database of other Scholars’ interests and expertise so that they can get in touch with others in the community working in the same areas. You can do this from the Rhodes Connect directory using the ‘interests’ and ‘expertise’ filters. This searches not only Rhodes Connect members, but also Alumni who gave permission for this information to be included in the most recent Alumni survey. You can then get in touch with Rhodes Connect members by email (if they have shared this) or a private message. You can also get in touch with non-members by sending a personalised invitation to join Rhodes Connect.

We know that the Rhodes Connect login continues to be an obstacle to use for some Scholars, so we are also working on a new password-less login system. There is only so far we can take the ‘engage through Rhodes Connect rather than in it’ approach – a log in continues to be necessary to post and comment on articles and to access restricted information. The attendee list for the 120th reunion, and some of the video recordings from the event were a very good example of this, so we aspire to make this process as seamless as possible.

Finally, a reminder that Rhodes Connect now has iOS and Android mobile app – search for ‘Rhodes Connect’ in the app stores.
Selection and Outreach

The past year marked the very welcome return to in-person engagement for Rhodes outreach and selection! The 2023 Rhodes Scholarships (selected in 2022) saw selection in almost all constituencies conducted face-to-face, to the delight of National Secretaries, selectors and candidates alike.

Selector tools and training resources have been updated and re-organised on the website to make it easier for selectors to find and navigate key resources, such as the Warden’s Memo, Scoring Matrix and Unconscious Bias training, all of which help to maintain the rigour, excellence and parity of selection across all constituencies. We saw a small uplift of 1.7% on submitted applications compared to the previous year, which is encouraging as we work to rebuild application numbers following the disruption caused by COVID-19. Submitted applications were received from around 1,000 undergraduate institutions spread across c.75 different countries, with 100 nationalities represented.

In June 2023, we were thrilled to welcome National Secretaries from every one of the 25 constituencies to Rhodes House for National Secretaries Week, for the first time since 2019. National Secretaries Week is an important occasion to thank Secretaries for their extraordinary service and dedication to the Trust. It was a great opportunity for the Secretaries to meet each other and Rhodes House staff in person, as well as to share ideas and discuss critical issues such as tackling unconscious bias and good practice for final selection.

The programme concluded with a very special fireside chat where long-standing former National Secretaries shared their wisdom and experience with current National Secretaries and the Selection & Outreach team. This was followed by a dinner which gave National Secretaries and Trustees the opportunity to come together, and allowed the Warden to thank former National Secretaries and Trustees for their extraordinary service. The National Secretaries were among the first guests to stay in the newly renovated Rhodes House, and most stayed on for the 120th Anniversary Celebrations.

Increasing global outreach remains a central pillar of the Trust’s strategy, facilitated by the Rhodes Outreach Ambassadors Programme. In 2023, Scholars in Residence travelled as ambassadors to East and West Africa to engage with students and faculty members at targeted universities. The Trust is grateful to the Carnegie Corporation of New York for making these trips possible through their grant for outreach. We asked the Scholar Ambassadors for East and West Africa to reflect on their role and the in-person outreach they were able to undertake on these trips.
“As a Rhodes Scholar, I am passionate about promoting wider knowledge and access to this opportunity and preparing leaders for the future of my region. As an ambassador, I was particularly delighted to take the message of the Scholarship to the English, French and Portuguese-speaking parts of West Africa and become exposed to the immense possibilities the Scholarship can offer in a region renowned for its enthusiastic and brilliant young population. The newly announced expansion of West Africa Scholarships this year encourages inclusivity and allows more young people to participate in a Scholarship that dreams are made of.”
Elizabeth Nwaruze
(Nigeria & Trinity 2021)

“My successful Rhodes application was significantly influenced by engaging with current and Alumni Scholars, as this provided me with invaluable insights into the Scholarship and the application process. Learning about the diverse journeys of Scholars bolstered my confidence to pursue this prestigious opportunity. I joined the Rhodes Outreach Ambassadors Program to pay forward the support I received. Witnessing students’ enthusiastic dedication to their educational pursuits is both exhilarating and reaffirms my dedication to my role as a Scholarship ambassador in East Africa.”
Brian Micheni
(Kenya & St Cross 2020)

“As (potentially) the first Rhodes Scholar of Ivorian and/or Malian origins, I became an outreach ambassador for the West Africa constituency because I noticed a significant lack of representation of Francophone African countries in the Rhodes community, and at Oxford more broadly. My role as an outreach ambassador for (Francophone) West Africa enabled me to help bridge this critical information and opportunity gap in the region. Sharing precious information about the Rhodes Scholarship with brilliant students, in the places where my parents grew up, felt like a full circle moment. I am grateful for this opportunity to give back to my community and to ‘lift as I climb’.”
Abdel Dicko
(Quebec & Magdalen 2021)
Alumni and Events

This last year saw many wonderful opportunities for Scholars around the world to connect and join together. Celebrations, forums for discussion and our Summit on Pandemic Preparedness all demonstrated the impressive breadth and depth of experience and expertise in the Rhodes community.

SCHOLARS ENGAGING GLOBALLY

Over the last year there have been many wonderful opportunities for Scholars around the world to connect. In Australia, the National Dinner took place in March 2023 and in April 2023 the Warden, Elizabeth Kiss, met with Scholars in Perth and Sydney. Long-serving Rhodes House staff members Bob and Dawn Wyllie completed their world tour visiting the West Coast of America in early 2023, connecting with Scholars in Vancouver and San Francisco. In the UK, as well as the 120th Anniversary Celebrations, we also had the opportunity in September 2022 to hold a reception and dinner with Scholars who were attending Meeting Minds, the central Oxford reunion weekend. The lovely dinner brought together Scholar Alumni and Scholars in Residence in the beautiful Natural History Museum. In the US, supported by the AARS, Scholars joined together for the Welcome Home Weekend in Washington, DC, an occasion to welcome back recently graduated Scholars and introduce them to the local Alumni community. In the future we will be exploring funding to expand these events globally. Online, Scholars were updated through our Global Townhalls and joined us monthly for our Scholars Library events; a book talk series where Rhodes Alumni can come together to present, discover and debate their literary works. Talks this year included Andrew Sniderman (Québec & Exeter 2008) on Valley of the Birdtail and Christie Hunter Arscott (Bermuda & Lincoln 2007) on Begin Boldly.

TECHNOLOGY & SOCIETY FORUM

The inaugural Rhodes Forum on Technology & Society took place on 12 November 2022 in London as part of the Kevin Xu Initiative for Innovation in Technology and Society. We had a total of 192 in-person attendees and 26 virtual participants. With over 14 sessions covering themes from artificial intelligence to biotechnology and a networked society, the forum was very well received. Feedback was excellent, particularly around the closing session with cellist and LifeScore CEO, Philip Sheppard, and the opening plenary with journalist Stephanie Hare and Rumman Chowdhury, former Director of the ML Ethics, Transparency, and Accountability team at Twitter. The audience was diverse, including Scholars in Residence and Rhodes Alumni, as well as Atlantic Fellows, Rise Winners and students from other universities in the UK.

LINK LONDON

In March 2023, Rhodes Scholars in London enjoyed an evening at the historic Oxford and Cambridge Club. The event was a brilliant opportunity to meet and network with fellow Scholars over drinks and canapés. There was also the chance to hear from Rhodes Scholar Alumni Nader Mousavizadeh (Denmark & Christ Church 1992). Founding partner and CEO of Macro Advisory Partners, Nader has spent the past 20 years in leadership positions in global institutions at the intersection of geopolitics, policy and markets. He was able to provide a fascinating insight into these areas, and conversations following the talk amongst attendees were rich and interesting.

“‘It was a really wonderful event in a very beautiful setting’”

Attendee

CELEBRATING 75 YEARS OF THE RHODES SCHOLARSHIP FOR INDIA

In 2022, we celebrated 75 years of the Rhodes Scholarship in India. The celebrations included a series of in-person events in New Delhi, an online event for the global community and the creation of an anniversary brochure to remember the occasion. We were delighted to welcome over 50 Scholars and their guests to a gala reception and dinner held in New Delhi where Scholars enjoyed a panel discussion on ‘The impact of the Rhodes Scholarship’, followed by a drinks reception and dinner.
While the COVID-19 pandemic led to immense suffering and loss of life, there are other pathogens that have the potential to cause even greater destruction. It remains a question of ‘when’ not ‘if’ the next pandemic will strike. The inaugural Rhodes Policy Summit took place from 14 to 15 April in London with 280 participants in person and online. This year’s focus was on creating a positive legacy from the COVID-19 pandemic, through developing an ‘Always On’ approach. The Summit received widespread media coverage, which included an opinion piece by Sir John Bell detailing how dual-use global health systems can be used for routine health care delivery and during pandemics.

You can view the sessions from the Summit online, along with impact analysis and media coverage of the event, in the ‘Forum Impact’ area of the Trust’s website www.rhodeshouse.ox.ac.uk/forum-impact. We can recommend former UK Prime Minister Tony Blair’s address on Geopolitics and the COVID-19 pandemic response. Speakers also included Tariro Makadzange (Zimbabwe & Balliol 1999), Founder & CEO, CRMG & Mutala Trust; Eloise Todd, Executive Director & Co-Founder, Pandemic Action Network; and Trevor Mundel (South Africa-at-Large & Balliol 1984), President of Global Health, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

For the Rhodes Trust this was an opportunity to ignite the power of convening across traditional boundaries and to drive collaboration for impact. This was the first event of this type convened by the Lifelong Programmes team that engaged the Rhodes Scholar in Residence and Alumni community and a broader global health audience. The quality of the outputs and conversations indicated that this is an excellent platform for future initiatives.

**What we can do today looks completely different from what we could do ten years ago**
Sir John Bell, (Alberta & Magdalen 1975), Regius Professor of Medicine at the University of Oxford

**What I enjoyed the most was the range of speakers and the focus on action to take the ‘Always On’ approach forwards**
Attendee
Thank You to All of Our Volunteers and Supporters

Every year hundreds of Scholars and supporters help us at the Trust, generously sharing their knowledge, time and energy. Without this community, our achievements would not be possible. We take this opportunity to say a huge ‘Thank You’ to everyone who has supported us over the last year.

ALUMNI SCHOLAR VOLUNTEER IN THE SPOTLIGHT:
CHLOE WALKER
(COMMONWEALTH CARIBBEAN & ST CROSS 2014)

What did you volunteer for and what was your role?
I’ve been a volunteer selector for the first and second rounds of the Global Scholarship for a few years now. I was also a volunteer selector for the inaugural Rise program.

Why did you choose to volunteer?
I really just wanted to continue my involvement with the Rhodes Trust after I left Oxford. I had a wonderful time while at Oxford and the Rhodes community was a vital part of that experience. Of course, I also read for two degrees courtesy of the Trust, so this was my way of saying ‘Thank you’ and contributing for future generations of Scholars.

What did you most enjoy about volunteering?
Two things; learning about and meeting brilliant young people from all over the world, and (re)connecting with past Scholars across decades and fields. It’s a great way to be reminded of the amazing work others are always doing, even as I’m busy with mine.

What would you say to other Scholars who may be thinking of volunteering?
Do it!

There are many ways in which volunteers support us, from being an integral part of our Selection process to speaking at events, from participating in advisory groups to bringing the community together as Class Leaders. If you would like to learn more about volunteering for the Rhodes Trust, visit our website at www.rhodeshouse.ox.ac.uk/scholars-alumni/how-can-i-help-learn-about-volunteering/

GLOBAL ALUMNI ADVISORY BOARD

The Global Alumni Advisory Board was assembled in Autumn 2022 with the aim of providing the Rhodes Trust with advice, guidance and feedback on how the Trust can further and better its engagement and relationship with Rhodes Scholar Alumni for the benefit of all. With membership spanning different election years, geographies and sectors, the Advisory Board has provided valuable insights to the Trust over the course of the year. They have inputted into the creation of the 120th Anniversary Reunion, helped in the building of stronger connections with Alumni Associations and have identified areas for improvement and the need for additional resource to expand engagement opportunities for the community. Over the course of the next year, the Board will be supporting the actioning of new programming incentives, improving existing support and strengthening communications to allow the community to make the most from the Scholar network.

MEMBERS
Lisa Klei (Co-Chair)
(South Africa & St Anthony’s 1994)
Karen Braun-Munzinger (Co-Chair)
(Germany & Merton 2000)
Chunying Zhang
(China & Lady Margaret Hall 2016)
Sannah Mokone
(South Africa-at-Large & Jesus 2011)
Bill Bardel
(New Jersey & University 1961)
Nicholas Allard
(New York & Merton 1974)
Katie Sheehan
(Ontario & Merton 2022)
Mercy Akoth
(Kenya & Jesus 2016)
Chantal Ononaiwu
(Jamaica & Wolfson 2003)
Peter Rutledge
(New Zealand & Magdalen 1994)
Martin-Immanuel Bittner
(Germany & Trinity 2014)
Graham Craig
(South Africa & Brasenose 1974)
Lian Ryan-Hume
(Israel & St Anthony’s 2018)

120th Anniversary Reunion Volunteers

During the summer of 2023, we held our 120th Anniversary Reunion at Rhodes House in Oxford. With over 1,300 attendees including Alumni, Scholars in Residence, guests and supporters, the event was a celebration on a grand scale. We would like to take this opportunity to thank the many Scholars and staff who supported this event, either through speaking as part of a panel and sharing their expertise and knowledge or by helping to direct attendees and manage venues. We could not have run the event without you.

Over 120 Scholar volunteers helped support the 120th!
Heads of Alumni Associations

Thank you to all of our Alumni who volunteer to be part of Alumni Associations, helping to keep the Rhodes community connected.

America
Janice Ugaki
(Idaho & St Antony’s 1993)
Nnenna Lynch
(New York & St John’s 1993)

Australia
Chloe Flutter
(New South Wales & Hertford 1999)

Canada
Kai Alderson
(Ontario & Wadham 1998)

Germany
Andreas Poensgen
(Germany & University 1983)

Jamaica and Commonwealth Caribbean
Alisha Wade
(Commonwealth Caribbean & Trinity 2000)

Kenya
Victoria Miyandazi
(Kenya & University 2013)

New Zealand
Duncan McGillivray
(New Zealand & St John’s 2000)

South Africa
Lisa Klein
(South Africa-at-Large & St Antony’s 1994)

Zimbabwe
Dalurnuzi Mhlanga
(Zimbabwe & St Antony’s 2013)

Israel
Lian Najami
(Israel & St Antony’s 2018)

China
Mark Jia
(New Jersey & Merton 2011)

Commonwealth Caribbean
Bertha Pilgrim
(Commonwealth Caribbean & Balliol 1995)

East Africa
Samson Kironde
(Uganda & Green 1998)

Germany
Nils Derrmann
(Germany & Christ Church 1996)

Hong Kong
Sandra Fan
(Hong Kong & St Catherine’s 1986)

India
Nandan Kamath
(India & Balliol 2000)

Israel
Doron Weber
(Rhode Island & Exeter 1978)

Jamaica
Mariame McIntosh Robinson
(Jamaica & Hertford 1998)

Kenya
Geoffrey Otieno
(Kenya & Lincoln 2007)

Commonwealth Caribbean
Datuk Shahril Ridza Ridzuan
(Malaysia & Christ Church 1992)

New Zealand
Jane Harding
(New Zealand & Brasenose 1979)

Pakistan
Babar Sattar
(Pakistan & Balliol 1999)

Saudi Arabia
Christian Sahner
(New Jersey & St John’s 2007)

United Arab Emirates
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United States
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National Secretaries Selection of the Class of 2023

Australia
Peter Kanowski
(Australia-at-Large & St John’s 1983)

Bermuda
Christie Hunter Arscott
(Bermuda & Lincoln 2007)

Canada
Richard Pan
(Ontario & Balliol 1998)

China
Mark Jia
(New Jersey & Merton 2011)

Commonwealth Caribbean
Bertha Pilgrim
(Commonwealth Caribbean & Balliol 1995)

East Africa
Samson Kironde
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National Secretaries are some of our most valued and critical volunteers; Scholar Alumni who run local selection for us across the world and are responsible for maintaining the rigour and integrity of our Rhodes selection process in their constituencies. We would like to express our gratitude to all our National Secretaries, and we particularly give special thanks to the National Secretaries that have stepped down during the past year:

Elliot Gerson (Connecticut & Magdalen 1974) served as American Secretary for 25 years, longer than any since our founding American Secretary, Frank Aydelotte. Working with seven Wardens, he has overseen the selection of nearly 800 Scholars. His previous volunteer roles, including 15 years of previous service as a selector, State Secretary and Assistant National Secretary, bring his total years of involvement with Rhodes selection to over 50, which we believe is an all-time record in the United States and demonstrates his exemplary leadership and extraordinary dedication to the Rhodes mission and community.

Jane Harding (New Zealand & Brasenose 1978) served as National Secretary for New Zealand for ten years. She played an invaluable role in ensuring the excellence of the New Zealand selection process and oversaw the selection of almost 300 Scholars in that time. Jane made significant improvements to the selection process in order to encourage a broader range of candidates to apply.

Nandan Kamath (India & Balliol 2000) served as National Secretary for India for seven years. He has done an extraordinary job of systemising the entire selection process, increasing the efficiency and rigour of selection in India. Nandan has diversified the selection committee and selectors at all stages, and applications to the Rhodes Scholarships for India during Nandan’s tenure increased in volume, with the pool of applicants also showing a substantial improvement in diversity and quality.

Nils Oermann (Germany & Christ Church 1996) became National Secretary for Germany in 2013 following more than a decade of service on the selection committee. During his tenure, the German Rhodes Scholarship went from strength to strength to become one of the most popular and renowned foreign scholarships offered to German students. Nils has overseen the selection of outstanding Scholars from a wide range of backgrounds and disciplines and has led very effective outreach efforts.

Terence Tehranian (Hawaii & Magdalen 1983) served as the inaugural National Secretary for the Global Scholarships and played a significant role in ensuring the successful launch of the Rhodes Scholarships for Global: in its first four years, a pool of exceptionally high-quality candidates of over 70 nationalities have applied.
1971
Robert Buckley
(New Brunswick & Worcester)
Stephen C. Ferruolo
(Rhode Island & St John’s)
Don Gogel
(New Jersey & Balliol)
Rick Lee
(New South Wales & Worcester)
Kurt Schmoke
(Maryland & Balliol)
1972
Hugh Porteous
(Saskatchewan & Balliol)
Jack Zoeller
(New York & University)
1973
Geoff Dougherty
(Québec & Worcester)
John R. Ettinger
(New York & Merton)
Michael D. Waters
(Alabama & Merton)
1974
Nicholas W. Allard
(New York & Merton)
Bruno H. Grayson
(California & University)
1975
Peter Carfagna
(Ohio & University)
John Coleman
(Québec & St John’s)
Christopher Pesh
(Vermont & Worcester)
1976
Andrew Banks
(Florida & St Edmund Hall)
James G. Basker
(Oregon & Christ Church)
Hans-Paul Buerkne
(Germany & St Catherine’s)
Chisanguta Chekwe
(Zambia & Exeter)
1977
Peter Fairley
(British Columbia & Magdalen)
Edgar Gentle
(Alabama & Pembroke)
Scott Rafferty
(Maryland & Balliol)
John Watson
(New South Wales & Magdalen)
1978
Carter Brandon
(Massachusetts & Balliol)
Eric O. Fornell
(Michigan & Magdalen)
Barbara Grewe
(Michigan & St Hilda’s)
Ronald Stevenson
(Newfoundland & Oriel)
1979
John Collins
(Bermuda & Corpus Christi)
Charles Eliot
(Maritimes & Wadham)
Paul Kumleben
(Natal & University)
Robin Russin
(Wyoming & Corpus Christi)
1980
Steve Crown
(Florida & St Edmund Hall)
Susan L. Karamanian
(Alabama & Somerville)
Gary Lawrence
(Ontario & St Edmund Hall)
John H. McCall MacBain O.C.
(Quebec & Wadham)
Christopher Miller
(Tennessee & Merton)
Andrew Wilkinson
(Prairies & Magdalen)
1981
Dan Esty
(Massachusetts & Balliol)
Patrick Forth
(Zimbabwe & Keble)
Michelle Johnson
(Iowa & Brasenose)
Mary G. Murphy
(New York & St Catherine’s)
Vishwajit Nimgaonkar
(India & Balliol)
1982
Dan Bloomfield
(New Jersey & St John’s)
Yolande Chan
(Jamaica & Herford 1982)
Michael Chan
(British Caribbean & Lincoln)
Michele S. Warman
(New York & Magdalen)
1983
Charles Conn
(Massachusetts & Balliol)
Tim Gokey
(North Dakota & New College)
1984
Richard Potok
(New South Wales & St John’s)
1985
Andy Russbaum
(Rotterdam & Merton)
Jeffrey Rideout
(Oregon & Magdalen)
Seumas Woods
(Prairies & Exeter)
1986
John Melin
(Saskatchewan & Exeter)
Daniel Promislow
(British Columbia & Merton)
1987
Elizabeth Elbourne
(Ontario & St Antiony’s)
Barbara Petzen
(Georgia & University)
Jacob Weisberg
(Illinois & New College)
1988
Bryan Hassel
(Tennessee & Balliol)
Ekkehard Kasper
(Germany & St John’s)
Errol Norwitz
(South Africa-at-Large & University)
1989
Nancy Levenson
(Arizona & Jesus)
Pierre Piché
(Québec & Keble)
John Wyle
(Queensland & Balliol)
1990
Jennifer Howard-Grenville
(Alberta & New College)
Alison Van Rooy
(Minnesota & Lincoln)
1991
Daniel Moore
(Newfoundland & St John’s)
Fiona Stewar
(Québec & Lady Margaret Hall)
1992
Doug Beck
(California & New College)
Jodi Evans
(Prairies & Magdalen)
Marnie Hughes-Warrington
(Tasmania & Merton)
Todd Millay
(Oregon & Christ Church)
1993
Shazia Azim
(Pakistan & University)
Mark E. Lundstrom
(Washington & New College)
Rujuta Srivastava
(Michigan & Balliol)
1994
Blain Greteman
(Ohio & University)
Laura Tavares
(British Columbia & St John’s)
Jonathan Tepper
(North Carolina & Christ Church)
1995
Diane de Kerckhove
(Québec & Balliol)
Darren Littlejohn
(Newfoundland & Magdalen)
1996
Subho Banerjee
(Australia-at-Large & Brasenose)
Chimene I.R. Keitner
(Maritimes & New College)
Dayne Walling
(Michigan & St Peter’s)
1997
Shonil Bhagwat
(India & Linacre)
Carrin Cockburn
(Jamaica & Lady Margaret Hall)
Ross Garland
(South Africa-at-Large & Pembroke)
Pardis Sabeti
(Florida & New College)
1998
Blaine Greteman
(Alabam & Merton)
Laura Tavares
(Massachusetts & St John’s)
Jonathan Tepper
(North Carolina & Christ Church)
1999
Bobby Azamian
(Texas & St John’s)
Walt Cooper
(Indiana & St Anne’s)
Susan Dando (Tasmania & Merton)
Aly Kassam-Remtulla (Prairies & Balliol)
Murray W. McCutcheon (British Columbia & Trinity)

2000
Cameron Hepburn (Australia-at-Large & Magdalen)
Liz McNally (Connecticut & Worcester)

2001
David Close (Tasmania & Worcester)
Anamitra Deb (New Brunswick & Harris Manchester)

2002
Albert Cho (Arizona & Jesus)
Megan Kenna (New Hampshire & Magdalen)
Zach Morris (Wisconsin & Wadham)
Mark Schaan (Manitoba & New College)
Katie Sheehan (Ontario & Merton)

2003
Aarthi Anand (India & Harris Manchester)
Hammad Khan (Pakistan & Wolfson)
Zinta Zommers (Ontario & Wolfson)

2004
Maria Banda (Ontario & Balliol)
Chenoa Marquis (Commonwealth Caribbean & Brasenose)
Sarah Kleinman (Indiana & St Antony’s)
John McAnearney (Western Australia & Magdalen)
Vitaly Voronkov (Namibia & Lincoln)

2005
Jeremy Farris (Georgia & University)
Ruth Anne French-Hodson (Kansas & Merton)
Joe Jewell (Michigan & Keble)
Graham Reynolds (Maritimes & Balliol)
Mike Rivers-Bowman (British Columbia & Corpus Christi)

2006
Jeeshan Chowdhury (Alberta & Hertford)
Amarul Islam (India & St John’s)
David Matthews (Québec & St John’s)
Trav McLeod (Western Australia & Balliol)
Aaron Mertz (Missouri & St Edmund Hall)

2007
Joshua Chauvin (Ontario & New College)
Jared Dunnmon (Ohio & Oriel)
Richard Higgins (New Zealand & St Catherine’s)
Vivek Naranhbai (KwaZulu Natal & Keble)
Shaheen Seedat (South Africa-at-Large & Brasenose)

2008
Reed Doucette (California & Hertford)
Julia Matheson (New Zealand & Balliol)

2009
Peter Gill (Alberta & Magdalen)

2010
Jordan Anderson (Alabama & St Hilda’s)
Caroline Huang (Delaware & Merton)
Jaspreet Khandour (Prairies & Balliol)
Lyle Murray (KwaZulu Natal & University)
Kamal Wood (Commonwealth Caribbean & Mansfield)

2011
Calla Giavin (Michigan & Hertford)
Jonathan Pedder (Prairies & Merton)
Ameen Barghi (Alabama & St Catherine’s)
Joanna Klimczak (Québec & Pembroke)
Karen Mumba (Zambia & New College)

2012
Akul Dayal (India & Green Templeton)
Anne Kelly (Prairies & Merton)
Qhelile Ndlovu (Zimbabwe & Merton)
Cameron Turtle (Washington & St John’s)

2013
Connor Emdin (Ontario & St John’s)
Paul Manning (Maritimes & Magdalen)
Laura Pittman (Newfoundland & St John’s)

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Calla Giavin (Michigan & Hertford)
Jonathan Pedder (Prairies & Merton)
Ameen Barghi (Alabama & St Catherine’s)
Joanna Klimczak (Québec & Pembroke)
Karen Mumba (Zambia & New College)

2015
Connor Emdin (Ontario & St John’s)
Paul Manning (Maritimes & Magdalen)
Laura Pittman (Newfoundland & St John’s)

2016
Oscar Lyons (New Zealand & Balliol)
Ashley Orr (Ohio & St John’s)
Kimberley Savill (New Zealand & Brasenose)

2017
Calla Giavin (Michigan & Hertford)
Jonathan Pedder (Prairies & Merton)
Ameen Barghi (Alabama & St Catherine’s)
Joanna Klimczak (Québec & Pembroke)
Karen Mumba (Zambia & New College)

2018
Michael Chen (Colorado & Lincoln)
Kumeren Govender (KwaZulu Natal & Balliol)
Alex Lachapelle (Québec & Balliol)

2019
Shantel Marekera (Zimbabwe & Lady Margaret Hall)
Olga Romanov (Russia & St John’s)

2020
Rossella Gabriele (Missouri & Pembroke)

2021
Carissa Chen (California & Merton)
Lillian Usadi (New Jersey & Magdalen)
Rhodes House Reimagined

We are there! Rhodes House has now been restored and reinvented, making it a more welcoming, sustainable and open place for Scholars and the community to meet. Here, we look at the final stages of this transformational project.

This last year of construction works to fully restore and redevelop Rhodes House has been complex, frustrating at times, but ultimately extremely rewarding! The works are now complete except for the final snagging, and the building is fully in use. The final months of the scheme were beset by all manner of issues, including several subcontractors going into receivership. As a result, the Trust’s Estates team had to work closely with Beard Construction to present the main works as complete for the 120th Anniversary Celebrations in late June. It could not have been closer to the wire: the day before the first guests were to arrive, we were spreading gravel to the paths, laying rolls of turf and cleaning away more than two years’ worth of construction dust!

However, the final push was worth it. The response to the scheme when we welcomed more than 1,300 members of our community back was overwhelming and heart-warming and made the huge collective efforts of the final few months feel very worthwhile!

When we set out to design the scheme to redevelop Rhodes House, it was clear that the beautiful historic character of the building was extremely important to our community of Scholars past and present. Finding the right balance between making the building fit for purpose while protecting this important ‘DNA’ was vital. During the anniversary celebrations, it was amazing to hear so clearly that we have succeeded.

No area of Rhodes House has been left untouched through the works. All services including heating, electrics, drainage and data have been replaced throughout. This meant first removing asbestos from service risers under controlled conditions. The additional drainage required to support increased residential capacity has been
skilfully installed behind the original timber panelling, in many cases making the changes completely invisible. All the new systems have been designed to be extremely efficient, significantly reducing our reliance on utilities while doubling the size of the useable estate.

We now have the capacity to welcome 300 people to events in our basement convening spaces. This suite of rooms fully supports a complete event experience, from cloakrooms, helpdesks, catering and breakout spaces through to the state-of-the-art convening hall. The hall uses the latest audio-visual technology to fully allow blended events with virtual participation, transforming how we can engage collaboratively with our international Alumni community.

Also in the basement convening area is the XR (Extended Reality) Lab. Throughout history, those furthering equity have harnessed the power of traditional technologies to lift up communities and ideas. The ongoing movement toward equity will be strengthened and celebrated using emerging technologies in the XR Lab, which has been generously funded by the Atlantic Institute.

The glass pavilion provides Scholars with an event space that can support up to 50 participants and is set against the tranquil backdrop of our beautiful landscaped gardens.

Our staff now have a proper modern office, with meeting rooms, Zoom booths and support facilities in a new top-lit basement. This space provides zones which support different modes of working using hot desks as opposed to allocated desks.

From the start of the project our focus was on accessibility and creating equitable routes around the building. It is notoriously difficult to make historic buildings comply with modern accessibility regulations, and often the focus is on seeking dispensation to protect the historic fabric. We have managed to deliver a scheme where all but two rooms have flat and level access. Five new lifts have been installed, ensuring that routes for those with restricted mobility are always adjacent to ambulant routes. The technology in event spaces has been designed to support those with restricted hearing or sight. All of this has been achieved without compromising the historic fabric or finishes.

While the delivery of the project has at times been extremely difficult, with exceptional challenges including a pandemic, import issues associated with the UK’s leaving the EU and extreme volatility in both material supply and sector inflation, we have managed to stick to our plans. The new Rhodes House will truly transform our ability to convene as a global community, supporting the work of the Rhodes Trust for the next century!

All of this has been achieved without compromising the historic fabric or finishes.
Art at Rhodes House

This year has seen four installations at Rhodes House by leading artists. All respond to the history of the Rhodes Trust, inviting us to reflect on its complex and difficult past and consider how our own work can transform the future. Here, we share the thinking behind the pieces.

“I created a piece that reflects on nature as a fundamental uniting force. With my Floating Garden I aim to conceive a metaphor that through its botanical and ethereal presence connects people, countries and Scholars.”

Valéria Nascimento

FLOATING GARDEN, VALÉRIA NASCIMENTO

Valéria Nascimento is a Brazilian-born contemporary porcelain artist. Her intricate and delicate sculptures and installations often explore the beauty and fragility of nature.

In the apse of the main hall in Rhodes House (whose architect, Sir Herbert Baker, always intended that there should be a hanging sculpture), Valéria has suspended over 10,000 handmade pieces of porcelain, hanging on 1000 transparent lines. Representing botanical elements from Rhodes Scholarship constituencies around the world, the pieces come together to show the diversity of the Rhodes community. Floating Garden was created in collaboration with Rhodes House Head Gardener, Neil Wigfield, and it connects the interior architecture to the garden in which it is set.

“**The Board of The World Reimagined accepted the invitation from the Rhodes Trust to host an exhibition at Rhodes House after long consideration. We recognised that the name and legacy of Rhodes brings with it pain and a history rooted in extraction and white supremacy. Yet it is all of our shared history. It happened. And we must face up to it together in order to create a future for racial justice – and that sometimes means taking this conversation to spaces and places that are historically rooted in racial injustice. And so we considered the present-day mission and work of the Rhodes Trust and concluded that they have a sincere and deep commitment to facing our past and transforming the future, demonstrated by the steps they have taken so far and those they have committed to. Ultimately, if our society is to be able to transform from white supremacy, the very organisations that have benefited from it must be a part of that transformation. We hope The World Reimagined exhibition at Rhodes House offers a meaningful space of public dialogue on the urgent question of how we shine an unflinching light on challenging parts of our history, so that together we make racial justice a reality in a way that honours our ancestors.**”

THE WORLD REIMAGINED
Nicola Green is an artist and social historian. Her practice focuses on storytelling through portraiture and combines multiple techniques. This temporary exhibition uses covered pillars with framed fabrics to represent the stories of individual Scholars or Fellows.

“Rhodes’ British South Africa Company colonised large parts of Southern Africa: Southern Rhodesia (Zimbabwe), northern Rhodesia (Zambia) and Nyasaland (Malawi)... Wars were fought, lands were appropriated, enterprises were built on worker exploitation, extractive industries paid no attention to environmental issues and Cecil John Rhodes’ wealth substantially increased. How can the Rhodes Trust engage with issues of equity and redress? How can reparative actions benefit southern African communities and the environment? How can legacy issues be mobilised to forge a common, equitable and just future for all?” The photographs in this exhibition challenge us to think about these issues.

Nicola Green

LIVING WITH THE LEGACY OF CECIL JOHN RHODES, PROFESSOR SHADRECK CHIRIKURE

Professor Shadreck Chirikure (Edward Hall Professor of Archaeological Science at the University of Oxford, Director of the Research Laboratory for Archaeology and the History of Art and British Academy Global Professor) has been working with the Rhodes Trust’s Legacy, Equity & Inclusion advisory groups. This exhibition uses photography and conversations to respond to the question, ‘Cecil John Rhodes: Hero, Villain, Ruthless Exploiter or Unjustly Accused?’

Nicola Green

“The Studio of Nicola Green was asked to create an exhibition for the 120th anniversary of the Rhodes Trust. Nicola did not take this decision lightly. The Studio agreed because we believe that in order to move forward we have to acknowledge our past together, participate in uncomfortable conversations and actively work to dismantle the structures of structural racism... We have worked with Scholars to think about how their specific stories intersect with the past and the present of the Rhodes Trust, in order to reimagine our future.”

Nicola Green
Annual Giving: Scholars Fund

Every element of the Scholar experience is strengthened by the Scholars Fund – the Trust’s Annual Giving programme – making it an essential complement to the Trust’s endowment. 588 Scholar Alumni gave back to the Scholars Fund during the last financial year. Our heartfelt thanks to every faithful supporter.

Due to the generosity of our Scholar Alumni and friends of the Trust, the Scholars Fund remains a strong resource, allowing the Warden and Trustees to respond flexibly to need within the Scholar community. In 2022-2023, gifts to the Scholars Fund contributed over £1 million to the Trust’s budget and were immediately put to work. These are three priority areas where support is critical:

**SCHOLAR SUPPORT**

Increases in tuition fees, visa costs, health fees and housing costs in Oxford, together with other financial pressures, mean that we continue to depend on contributions from Alumni to the Scholars Fund to ensure parity of the Scholar experience. For example, compassionate support requests from Scholars in residence, especially related to counselling and therapy, have increased dramatically. In response, the Trust has prioritised the ability to provide swift and effective mental health support for all Rhodes Scholars in need. Coming to Oxford can be overwhelming and for many Scholars it is the first time they have left their home country or travelled overseas; gifts to the Scholars Fund allows Scholars in Residence to thrive and reach their full academic and personal potential. Wellbeing funds have also been used to provide assistance for medical emergencies and travel for family bereavements, and to cover medical expenses not met through the NHS.

**SCHOLAR ADVANCEMENT**

Gifts to the Scholars Fund contribute to the advancement of leadership and academic development, allowing Scholars in Residence to embody the Rhodes ethos of using their talents to the fullest. The Scholars Fund bolsters the Trust’s ability to support DPhil studentships for Scholars to complete their degree. This highly sought-after funding is made possible through your support. The Fund has also invested in the Character, Service and Leadership Programme which brings all first and second-year Scholars in Residence together respectively to reflect on leadership and purpose at a multi-day retreat. Additionally, Scholars can benefit from mini grants that support essential fieldwork or travel to academic conferences. Gifts to the Scholars Fund are an investment that support essential fieldwork or travel to academic conferences. Gifts to the Scholars Fund are an investment that support essential fieldwork or travel to academic conferences.

**SCHOLAR COLLABORATION**

Gifts to the Scholars Fund ensure that Rhodes Scholars remain connected after going down through a lifelong network of mutual learning and growth. Scholars collaborate through forums, convenings and inter-generational events that happen in Rhodes House and beyond. Our lifelong programming aims to contribute to learning, service and impact across every stage of life, creating the building blocks that foster cross-generational collaboration, mentoring and support.

SCHOLARS FUND HIGHLIGHTS

A generous donor created a $200,000 match fund last fiscal year for first-time donors or donors renewing their support since The Campaign for the Second Century. We are thrilled to report that the $200,000 match has officially been fulfilled. Thank you to all who generously supported this special opportunity. Donors came from election countries including Australia, Canada, Commonwealth Caribbean, Germany, Hong Kong, Malaysia, Pakistan, South Africa and the United States. Challenges like this are a brilliant example of the way our Alumni community, although divided by oceans and continents, continues to unite in support of the next generation of Scholars. Our gratitude goes to our generous match supporters who multiplied each of these gifts in order to reach this goal.

The Scholars Fund would not be in its current strong position without the dedicated support of Class Leaders. With thanks to John McCall MacBain O.C.’s (Québec & Wadham 1980) leadership in spearheading a recruitment drive, we are delighted to announce that every class year from 1950-2020 has at least one Class Leader, and most have two or more. Since the recruitment drive started in financial year 2022, we have gained 77 new Class Leaders from 12 election constituencies. A special thanks to all Class Leaders who work to build and strengthen connections within their class, their local regions and in the broader Rhodes community. We are deeply grateful for your commitment.

**Thank you**

We thank all donors who contributed gifts of any size, all of which make a profound impact on Scholars. Every donor to the Scholars Fund has a personal reason to give back. Watch this video explaining why some Scholars choose to donate and what giving means to them: //youtu.be/lpJXY1I1Bu8
Exponential Potential Campaign Update

At the Rhodes Trust, we believe the world abounds in intelligence and positive potential. Here, globally minded leaders unite to share their diverse perspectives, draw new connections and give rise to novel solutions that change the world. The Exponential Potential campaign aims to grow the Rhodes Scholarships around the world.

The ambitious £200 million Exponential Potential campaign is about supporting the people, place and programmes that will unleash global potential.

**OUR GOALS ARE:**

- **£140 million**: To grow the world’s oldest and most prestigious international graduate scholarship with opportunities for more students across the globe, offering 125 Rhodes Scholarships by 2028 to students from around the world. Our focus regions include Africa, where our aim is to offer 32 Scholarships a year, Asia Pacific, the Middle East and Latin America.
- **£30 million**: To support the transformation of the beautiful, historic Rhodes House into a state-of-the-art convening centre, one worthy of serving as the hub for Rhodes Scholars, Rhodes Alumni, our core partnership programmes and the broader Oxford community.
- **£30 million** (including the Scholars Fund, our annual giving programme): To support programming and collaboration opportunities, bringing together Rhodes Scholars in Residence, our Alumni, our family of fellowships and the wider world. Our programmes in Oxford and beyond will allow us to convene and empower a uniquely effective, worldwide community of impact.

We officially launched the campaign on 1 July 2023, during the 120th Anniversary Reunion. So far, we have raised £80 million from generous donors from around the world, including the participation of more than 1400 Rhodes Alumni through our Scholars Fund efforts.

**CAMPAIGN HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:**

- Thanks to the gifts of more than £37 million, the Trust has added Rhodes Scholarships in perpetuity for China, East Africa, Saudi Arabia and West Africa and reinstated the second Scholarship for Pakistan. We have also seeded the endowment of additional Scholarships for East Africa, West Africa and South Africa.
- Our building has received more than £5 million in gifts, supporting, for example, the Nyatta Café and the Gogel Garden.
- Finally, on the programming front, through leadership gifts, we have been able to expand the reach of our signature Character, Service and Leadership Programme; organise Rhodes Forums with global impact, including the Global Policy Summit and the Rhodes Forum on Technology & Society; and support the attendance of young Rhodes Alumni from around the globe for the 120th Anniversary Reunion.

For a Scholars Fund update and details of its contributions to the Campaign, please consult the relevant section in this report.

Our efforts in the coming years will continue to focus on endowing Scholarships for truly global outreach and raising funds to support lifelong programming for global impact. If you are interested in learning more about ways to support the Exponential Potential Campaign, please visit our website or contact Rodolfo Lara Torres at rodolfo.lara@rhodeshouse.ox.ac.uk
From the Archive

Winning a Rhodes Scholarship is a big moment for an individual, and often, for their family too. In the Rhodes Trust Archive, we receive a steady flow of enquiries from the descendants and families of early Scholars who want to know more about their family member’s time at Oxford.

We also sometimes receive generous donations of historical papers and artefacts from families, relating to the Scholarships. One such came in recently from the family of Basil Travers (New South Wales & New College 1940), who sent a copy of the 1947 Scholars in Residence group photograph. At first glance, this resembled many taken over the years – a sunny location in the grounds of Rhodes House, Scholars in rows, the Warden and his wife at the front. But then I did a double take – 30 years before the Scholarships were opened to women, who were the women in the photograph?

It quickly became apparent that they were Scholars’ wives. Like his classmates, Basil Travers was prevented from coming into residence in 1940 by the Second World War. When the War ended, there were 208 Scholars who had had their Scholarships interrupted or postponed and were eligible to come to Oxford to resume or take up their studies. 75 of these, including Travers, were known by the Rhodes Trustees to be married.

The ban on marriage for Rhodes Scholars had been a feature of the Scholarships from their beginning, Cecil Rhodes having written to his solicitor and Trustee, Bouchier Hawksley, that he felt “the consideration of babies and other domestic agenda generally destroys higher thought”. The Trustees believed that Rhodes had not had married men in mind for the Scholarships, and that being married could cut Scholars off from the college life that Rhodes had valued so highly. The rule against marriage for Scholars had first been temporarily abolished after the First World War, allowing those who had married during the War to resume their Scholarships, although no Scholar who was not already married would be allowed to marry.

With the precedent already established, the Trustees in 1945 again decided to allow married Scholars to come to Oxford, recognising “that men who have been parted from their families while on service may well shrink from any further separation during their residence at Oxford.” Wives and children were cautiously welcomed, with the proviso that Scholars should come alone first, to find suitable family accommodation, which was scarce after the War. In practice, this meant that the Warden’s wife, Dorothy Allen, often had to help Scholars and their families to find somewhere to live, sometimes traversing Oxford to vet possible lodgings herself.

Conditions were hard in post-War Oxford, with food and fuel in short supply, and wives were sent a ‘misery pamphlet’ by Dorothy Allen, to help them to manage in their new environment. It included advice on, among other things, where to obtain rations of items such as meat, eggs and coal, and how to protect their young children from the English weather – wool underwear, of course. Wives were advised to “toughen your children to the cold as the English do” rather than “keep[ing] them bundled up all the time indoors”. Weekly Wednesday tea parties were held at Rhodes House for wives and children to drop into. Dorothy Allen remembered these as “tectic but delightful” events, recalling that “anything from 20 to 60 wives would turn up, together with children and babies of all ages. Prams were parked in our hall and carry-cots in the dining room… the big children explored the house, slid

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1 Rhodes Trust Archive, RT/1432.
down bannisters, or in the summer climbed about in the garden.”

A file in the archive indicates that the 1947 Scholars in Residence photograph was the first of only two taken to include the wives of Scholars. The other was taken in 1951, and, unfortunately, we do not hold a surviving copy. Writing to the American Secretary, Frank Aydelotte, about the 1947 photograph, Warden C.K. Allen said that “of course” the wives had been included, adding wryly, “we should have liked to include the children also, but we thought that would be too severe a tax on the photographer.” Rather than using Rhodes House as a backdrop as was customary, the photograph had to be moved elsewhere in the grounds, so that the static water tank – installed during the War as a firefighting measure, should incendiary bombs fall on Rhodes House – could not be seen in the background.

Scholars’ wives and children had become a core part of the Rhodes Scholar family, and by 1948, there were 84 wives and around 50 children in residence. However, by 1949, Allen and the Trustees had decided that the special circumstances of the War had come to an end, and it was time to revert to the original conditions of the Scholarships. But even Allen, who had been sceptical about allowing Scholar marriage, had to admit that the change had worked better than expected, and many Scholars had thrived with their wives and children in Oxford.

From 1950, the rule against marriage for newly elected Scholars was reinstated, and it was not until 1959 that it was relaxed, with marriage allowed for third-year Scholars only. Marriage for second years was allowed in 1964, with all restrictions on marriage for Scholars finally abolished in 1995.
Social Media Successes

Investing time in understanding the content our community and potential applicants want to see has paid dividends. Increasing numbers of people are using social media to connect with others in the Rhodes Scholar community and learn about the impact of our work.

Our social following has grown 19% over the past year, nudging 97,000. Much of this growth has been driven by LinkedIn, which has increased by 55% to become our second biggest channel by follower. Post interactions have increased by 43% as we inspire more people engage in conversation, celebrate impact and share fresh thinking and ideas from across the community and partnership programmes.

Paid outreach activity has helped us raise awareness of the Rhodes Scholarship with the brightest young minds around the world. During June we reached over 2.3 million 18-25-year-olds at target institutions in 64 countries. Platforms reported higher than average brand recall, and we have seen an increased volume of clicks to application pages compared to previous campaigns.

Stay connected with the Rhodes community on social media using the handles above, and let us know if you have a story you would like to share!
Finance and Investment Report

For the year ended 30 June 2023

BACKGROUND

It was a pleasure to see so many of you at the 120th Anniversary Celebrations in June 2023, and show you the culmination of ten years’ work to transform Rhodes House. The building manifests the broader ten-year development of the Trust. This includes 22 new constituency Scholarships; substantial investment in improving every stage of the Scholar experience; and initiating and developing symbiotic relationships with our five partnership programmes, the oldest of which, the Mandela Rhodes Foundation, celebrated its 20th anniversary this year, and the youngest of which, Oxford Next Horizons, will welcome its first cohort in 2024.

Over the same ten-year period, the Rhodes Trust’s invested assets have grown from £122 million to £397 million, an increase of 225%. An additional £71 million is held on behalf of the Atlantic Institute in a separately managed portfolio, and the net asset value of the Rhodes Trust is £511 million at 30 June 2023.

The growth of the endowment over this ten-year period reflects and supports the overall growth in the complexity and geographic spread of the Trust, and the commensurate growth in headcount and space required to service the Trust’s core operations and those of our partnerships.

GOVERNANCE

In addition to the oversight of the Trustee Board, three committees are directly involved in the management of the Trust’s resources:

- Finance & Investment Committee (budget setting and invested asset management);
- Audit & Risk Committee (risk review and the annual external audit); and
- Remuneration Committee (staff salaries and benefits).

At every Board meeting, the Trustees monitor a schedule of key performance indicators across all aspects of the Trust’s operations. The Trust prepares statutory accounts under the UK Charity SORP (FRS102), which are subject to annual external audit and filed with the UK Charities Commission.

SCHOLAR COSTS, ENDOWMENT AND CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

The Trust spent £25.9 million on the Rhodes Scholarships in the year ended 30 June 2023, excluding fully recovered expenditure of £20.3 million incurred on behalf of our partnership programmes, the Atlantic Institute, Schmidt Science Fellows and Rise, and £0.3 million of costs incurred in the trading subsidiary that manages activities in Rhodes House, before it opened for commercial activity.

Rhodes Scholarship specific expenditure was funded primarily by the allocation of investment returns to income under the spending rule of £21 million, and £1.4 million from the Scholars Fund. The balance is funded by other charitable income. Approximately 74% of expenses related to Scholar costs. Figure 1 gives a detailed breakdown of Trust expenses aggregated on a per Scholar basis.

265 fully funded Scholars in Residence were in Oxford in the academic year 2022/23. The Trust awarded 103 Scholarships for the 2023/24 cohort.

After fully allocating all expenses (except fundraising costs), the Trust spent approximately £82k per Scholar in the year ended 30 June 2023 (see Figure 1). The significant increase in Shared Services costs between 2021/22 and 2022/23 reflects the additional expenses of the 120th Anniversary Celebrations and unrecovered set-up costs to launch Rhodes House.

Figure 1 – Gross average cost per Scholar (excluding fundraising)

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* 21/22 Shared Services costs reflect significant rate gain
** Significant change to methodology in 22/23 to reflect re-structure of Rhodes Trust

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STAFF COST MANAGEMENT

As the Trust has grown, we have been careful to manage staff growth in line with the Rhodes Trust’s activities. Figure 2 shows the increase in overall staff numbers, with Rhodes Trust staff costs (i.e. those that are directly funded by our invested assets) increasing in line with Rhodes Trust income.

All of the partnership employees’ salaries are fully reimbursed, and an additional sum (totalling £845k in y/e 30 June 2023) was paid by the partnerships to cover core Rhodes Trust employees, supporting their activities, primarily in Shared Services.

ENDOWMENT STATUS

The Pooled Endowment Investment Portfolio is overseen by the Rhodes Trust Finance & Investment Committee (the Committee) which is comprised of Trustees and other members drawn from the finance community.

As of 30 June 2023, pooled investment assets supporting the Scholarships were valued at £397 million, which represents a decrease of £4 million from 30 June 2022. This movement reflects the addition of £14.2 million of donations invested during the year, £21 million of funds withdrawn under the spending rule to support expenditure, and £3 million of net realised and unrealised gains on investments.

As of 30 June 2023, 74% of the Trust’s Scholarship endowment assets were managed by Oxford University Endowment Management (OUem) in a globally diversified, strategic asset allocation-based portfolio. A Rhodes Trustee is currently on the Board of OUem. The balance is held in a sustainably managed fund with Barclays PLC, providing greater control over asset allocation and liquidity.

INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE

OUem’s performance for the year ended 30 June 2023 was 0.1%. This reflected a second year of difficult investment markets, with continued high inflation and geopolitical issues. Over the ten-year time horizon, OUem has, however, succeeded in returning the target of CPI + 5%. Figure 3 outlines OUem’s performance over time. Figure 4 shows the Trust’s combined asset allocation, liquidity and other exposures.
Figure 5 shows the cumulative effect over the last seven years, replacing CPI with the actual inflationary rate experienced by the Trust (on Scholar stipends, staff costs, fees etc). It gives comfort that the real terms losses in y/e 2022 are cushioned by the significant real terms growth.

The policy of the Trust continues to be to fully endow all new Scholarships and to strengthen the endowment of the core Scholarships that are currently funded mostly by endowment, but which depend on the annual giving support of our donors.

Whilst the primary purpose of the newly expanded Rhodes House is to support Scholar activity, it is also intended to generate substantial commercial returns to contribute to the Trust’s operating costs including covering interest of £800k per annum (2.67%) on the £30 million bond. The Trustees are hopeful that capital raised from granting naming rights over the stunning spaces throughout the House will provide greater flexibility over the use of commercial income for Scholar support.

Thanks to the generosity of our donors, the annual giving target of £1 million per annum was met, for which the Trustees are extraordinarily grateful. Thank you for your continued support.

Peter Stamos
(California & Worcester 1981)
Chair of the Finance and Investment Committee

Peter Anderson
Chief Financial Officer and Deputy Warden for Operations and Partnerships

1 November 2023
The Mandela Rhodes Foundation

2022 and 2023 have been a wonderful period in the life of the Foundation as we’ve geared up towards our 20th anniversary, coinciding, of course, with the Rhodes Trust’s 120th. We continue our inspiring core work of delivering our unique Leadership Development Programme to our Mandela Rhodes Scholars in residence.

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME REMAINS DYNAMIC

The Class of 2022 was characterised by a warm and positive energy. The completion workshop in September was focused on entrepreneurship. Highlights included a visit to Robben Island and a conversation with Professor Adekeye Adebayo (Nigeria & St Antony’s 1990), the author of The Trial of Cecil John Rhodes.

The Class of 2023 enjoyed a transformative leadership workshop in January and continue to meet in their pods to reflect together on their journey. The Class of 2023 includes our first scholar from Guinea; we have now awarded 622 Mandela Rhodes Scholarships to students from 33 African countries.

In 2022 and 2023, the second-year programme was offered in partnership with the Sustainability Institute, utilising design thinking principles to tackle sustainability challenges. The 2022 programme concluded in November, where scholars showcased their highly creative interventions for sustainability-themed challenges.

ÄÄNIT PRIZE AND PHD SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED TO ALUMNI

The 2022 Äänit Prize was split between four winners, one of whom is Rhodes Scholar Shantel Marekera (Zimbabwe & Lady Margaret Hall 2019). Shantel is the Founder of Little Dreamers Foundation, which runs an affordable preschool in the under-serviced neighbourhood of Budiriro Cabs, Zimbabwe. The other winners are working in the areas of early childhood development, renewable energy access for marginalised communities and diagnostic tools for dangerous diseases in African contexts.

In May 2023 we announced the winners of the Shaun Johnson Memorial Scholarships for PhD study in the UK. Pinky Mokwena (South Africa & Tshwane University of Technology 2019) plans to complete a PhD in Chemistry at the University of Kent. Sheena Talma (Seychelles & Rhodes University 2017) will be pursuing a PhD in Biodiversity.

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP AND PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

A highlight of 2022 was the alumni symposium held in Johannesburg in July. It was the first in-person gathering for all alumni since November 2019, and was a resounding success. The weekend included a thought-provoking panel discussion on what we can learn from African leadership philosophies, and a Mandela Day event bringing together local university students and Mandela Rhodes Scholars and alumni.

In May 2023 we kicked off our anniversary celebrations with an Africa day event in New York City, offering guests a powerful conversation on The courage to be unpopular: leadership in complex times.

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The Atlantic Institute

The Atlantic Institute, along with the seven Atlantic Fellows programs, connects 842 Atlantic Fellows worldwide through convenings, grants, residencies and virtual platforms, fostering learning, collaboration and action for equity. Fellows are using their influence to bring positive policy changes, drive reform and champion a wide range of equity issues.

This year, the Institute organised 35 convenings in six countries across five continents, including our largest-ever gathering in Phuket, Thailand, attended by 259 Fellows and 54 staff. The event facilitated vital connections between Fellows and helped forge many ongoing collaborations.

We also ran six convenings focused on particular themes chosen by groups of Fellows. These events, often taking place in countries relevant to the theme, are co-designed with Fellows. One highlight was a convening in New Zealand (Aotearoa) on Global Justice and Transformation. Rhodes Scholar and lawyer Ndjodi Ndeunyema (Namibia & Linacre 2014) attended, as did Hon. Karen L. Stevenson (Maryland & DC & Magdalen 1979), former Trustee of the Rhodes Trust and now Chief Magistrate Judge, US District Court, Central District of California. Karen co-authored an article (in the 2022 Rhodes Scholar) about the experience with Atlantic Fellow Yared Z. Zewde, MD. Other emerging collaborations between Atlantic Fellows and Rhodes Scholars focus on climate justice, health disparities, disability leadership and rights, forced migration and health equity.

The Institute awarded 111 grants this year, totalling in excess of £501,567. Projects have garnered recognition worldwide, with Fellows receiving prime ministerial and presidential awards, and have impacted over 23,000 individuals.

This year, Fellows have worked for constitutional reforms to recognise Indigenous people and land rights. They have helped drive health sector reform through collaborations with multinational agencies and governments, in areas including sleep medicine, cognitive impairment care environments, digital biomarkers for dementia, mental health awareness, long-term care solutions and oral health education. They also continue to champion racial equity and have addressed issues including the detention of women and children, obstetric and gender-based violence and sexual violence.

The Institute strategically focuses on Extended Realities, looking to uplift communities and promote equity through emerging technologies. In 2023, to coincide with the Rhodes 120th anniversary, we opened the XR Lab at Rhodes House, showcasing a VR film Azibuye – The Occupation, by Atlantic Fellow Dylan Valley. Atlantic Fellows and Rhodes Scholars have since been able to experience GAWI, a VR film about the climate crisis by Atlantic Fellow Myriam Hernandez and Rarámuri, an Indigenous community from Northern Mexico. Extended Realities workshops have also been offered to Rise winners.
Schmidt Science Fellows

Community is both the bedrock and the unique feature of our Fellowship. Within our Program, Fellows have built and created a genuine community based on friendship, trust and collaboration. This offers Fellows a space and a network of diverse interests, perspectives and skills, but also of shared experiences and ambitions.

The Schmidt Science Fellows community has our Fellows at its heart. But increasingly we are proud to welcome our Fellows’ principal investigators, our reviewers and selectors, supporters, Rhodes Scholars and Trust partnership programme grantees into this expanded community of change-agents.

Our Global Meetings Series is central to our efforts to foster bonds within the Fellowship community. Each meeting introduces Fellows to cutting-edge science, leading thinkers and institutions, and facilitates interdisciplinary research on a global scale. The October 2022 Global Meeting in Northern California, hosted by Stanford University and the University of California Berkeley, was the first time we had two cohorts together for a full week of programming as we recovered time and programming lost to COVID-19. In January 2023, we employed a retreat-style approach for a Global Meeting in Arizona for our 2022 Fellows. This featured tailored sessions run by members of the Fellowship Community, the Academic Council and the Program Team. We also held our first Global Meeting outside of the US and UK in Singapore in May 2023, hosted by the National University of Singapore and Nanyang Technological University.

Rhodes Scholar Alumni speakers and supporters at these convenings included Daniel Fletcher (Texas & New College 1994), Andrew Wee (Singapore & Keble 1987), Warden Elizabeth Kiss (Virginia & Balliol 1983) and former Warden Charles Conn (Massachusetts & Balliol 1983).

Our Fellows are Fellows for life and on completion of their first year of Global Meeting programming and postdoctoral research they become Senior Fellows. We held our inaugural Senior Fellows Annual Conference in October 2022, in Menlo Park, California. This event had been delayed due to COVID-19 and represented the first significant programming for our Senior Fellows since the pandemic interrupted developments in 2020. The Conference was a weekend of reunion, sharing and collaboration, and culminated in a dinner on the Stanford University campus where we welcomed other friends and supporters of interdisciplinary science.

We also hosted a joint interdisciplinary networking convening for Senior Fellows in Washington, DC in collaboration with the Canadian research organisation CIFAR in March 2023. CIFAR colleagues and scholars share our values of collaboration and networking for innovative researchers committed to tackling humanity’s most important questions, and the event was an example of how we aim to build a wider community of interdisciplinary science and advocacy.

Our core community of Fellows also continues to grow. In May 2023, we announced our sixth cohort of 32 Fellows, bringing the total number since inception to 145 Fellows from 34 nationalities. The latest Fellows include our first nationals from Brazil, Ecuador, Nigeria and Macedonia and the first Fellows to be nominated from Brazilian and Indian universities. The new cohort has interests in tackling global challenges, including climate destruction, neurodegenerative disease and food insecurity; and they include scientists seeking to improve mental health, drug discovery, energy security and more.

Engagement with and support from the global Rhodes community remains a central and much-valued principle for Schmidt Science Fellows. Rhodes Scholars continue to contribute their expertise and insights as reviewers and selectors, helping identify the best candidates to join the Fellowship each year, and as speakers and partners for our Global Meetings. Our Program Team and Fellows were pleased to support and engage with the Rhodes 120th events in June 2023, including as speakers on several panels highlighting the partnership programmes.

Developing our work with our partners and with other agencies, institutions and organisations will bring bigger, faster change to the way science is done. In the upcoming year, we will be reviewing and refreshing our strategy, and this work will incorporate the outcomes of stakeholder engagement projects to help us understand how different people feel about interdisciplinary science and Schmidt Science Fellows.
Rise

Rise, an initiative of Schmidt Futures and the Rhodes Trust, accomplished significant milestones towards its mission of finding promising young people and providing them with opportunities that allow them to work together to serve others over their lifetimes.

In 2023, Rise successfully wrapped up its third application and selection cycle as well as concluding its largest outreach efforts to date, resulting in over 430,000 registrants from over 170 nationalities. Following a rigorous application process which included peer and expert reviews of the service projects developed by each applicant, as well as formal assessments of talent and group interviews, Rise selected 100 Global Winners from a pool of 500 finalists. The 2023 Winners represent 43 different countries and speak 27 different primary languages. Their service projects include providing accessibility opportunities for hearing-impaired children, addressing the lack of representation and diversity in mainstream media and empowering local communities to adopt renewable energy sources. With 72 nationalities represented across Rise’s three cohorts, the global program continues to expand its network of talented young leaders from diverse backgrounds.

This year, Rise hosted its flagship Residential Summit in London and at Rhodes House, bringing together almost all 100 of the 2022 Rise Global Winners for the first time. Winners explored local culture, history and art, and heard from leading experts within the Schmidt Futures and Rhodes Trust network about topics ranging from biomedical research and XR storytelling to circular economies. They also learned about pipeline opportunities for career and service development, including the Rhodes Scholarships and Schmidt Science Fellows programmes. The Residential Summit laid the foundations for long-lasting friendships and innovative idea creation and demonstrated overwhelming evidence in support of Rise’s selection strategy for identifying some of the most promising young leaders of the next generation.

Other benefits of the program included need-based scholarship support at world-class educational institutions around the world. In the 2023-2024 academic year, 21 Winners will be studying with Rise secondary education partners in 21 countries. This academic year, Rise held 15 college advising sessions, offering application guidance and introducing new university partners including Imperial College London, Tecnológico de Monterrey and Northwestern. In 2023-2024, 128 Winners will be studying at over 70 universities, including Birla Institute of Technology, HKUST, University of Toronto, Stellenbosch University, Yale, Stanford, the University of Oxford and the California Institute of Technology.

Rise is grateful to its partners and global network of over 60 institutions and over 1,000 selectors around the world who play an essential role in outreach, application and programming. We are especially grateful for the ongoing support of the Rhodes Trust, led by Elizabeth Kiss and Peter Anderson, and we look forward to accomplishing even more in the coming year.
Oxford Next Horizons Participants

Oxford Next Horizons is aimed at people with successful, established careers who are at a significant turning point and want to figure out what comes next. It gives participants the chance to continue learning and create new purpose in the following phase of their lives.

This six-month programme offers participants the opportunity to benefit from being part of a close-knit and interdisciplinary community. Based in Harris Manchester College, it consists of a mix of world-class expertise, debate and discussion, alongside support for individual projects. Our first cohort of participants arrives in January 2024.

Tushara Dilanie Canekeratne
Tushara is a global leader and entrepreneur with broad and deep experience in the IT industry. She is an advocate for education, healthcare, longevity and leadership and focuses her philanthropic work on these areas.

Barbara Grewe (Michigan & St Hilda’s 1978)
A Senior Principal in a non-profit chartered by the US government, Barbara has recently focused on international cyber capacity building. On her return to Oxford, she plans to examine the intersection of national security, economic security and cybersecurity.

Lara Hoyem
Currently working in a consumer start-up in the digital restaurant space, Lara has a 25-year career in consumer internet start-ups. When in Oxford, she hopes to bring together her professional expertise with her ongoing interest in community service, specifically in the field of Positive Youth Development.

David Ito
David is a spiritual care educator and practitioner involved in introducing Healthcare Humanities in Japan. The intersection of medicine and religion has been the focus of his academic career. Alongside exploring this further, he is looking forward to the choral opportunities Oxford has to offer.

David Ladensohn
Largely retired from active business roles, David now spends his time writing, fly-fishing and living in different countries. He has interests in water conservation, time, civil discourse, science, history, mediation and negotiation.
Robert Maloney (California & Magdalen 1979)
Currently managing partner of a cataract and LASIK centre in Los Angeles, Robert cofounded a company that makes light-adjustable implants for cataract surgery. He plans to use his time in Oxford to study and write about the history of medicine.

Rahul Mehta
A software technology entrepreneur and philanthropist, Rahul credits his success to kind people, determination and luck. At Oxford, he is looking to explore leadership, India’s past, present and future, the climate and global health.

Lisa Murphy (Florida & Magdalen 1986)
Lisa is Chief of the Endocrinology and Metabolism Division, Director of the Diabetes Centre for High Risk Populations and a Professor of Clinical Medicine at the University of California, San Francisco. Her work focuses on improving access and quality of care for low income, diverse populations locally.

Ram Nallapati
Ram retired in 2022 after successfully building a high-growth business for a US Fortune 200 company. He is also heavily involved in community work and finds joy in travelling, reading Shakespeare, party-planning and farming.

Catherine Neiner
Catherine has served as the director of several prominent USA university careers centres and in numerous leadership positions. Her research revolves around recruiting women into non-traditional disciplines and on women’s progression through mid-career.

Errol Norwitz (South Africa-at-Large & University 1988)
Having trained/worked as a physician-scientist in five countries on three continents, Errol is always looking for opportunities to get out of his comfort zone, develop new skills and amplify his impact on healthcare.

Richard Royse
Richard retired from investment banking in 2004 and has since completed a Master of Liberal Arts degree examining the beginning of the US Public Health Service. His focus at Oxford will be understanding homelessness as a public health issue.

Laurance Splitter (Victoria & Magdalen 1973)
Now retired from academic employment, Laurance remains intellectually active, working on books to demonstrate the practical value of analytic philosophy. A major theme of his work is around dialogue, the importance of diversity and the imperative of intellectual humility.

Ron Stevenson (Newfoundland & Oriel 1978)
Now retired, Ron is a lawyer who specialises in constitutional issues related to the rights of Indigenous peoples in Canada. His passion is finding practical ways the legal system can serve justice.

Alison Van Rooy (Manitoba & Lincoln 1990)
A long-time civil servant, researcher and policy analyst, Alison is curious about the way important ideas work their way through government organisations. She is excited to return to Oxford to reflect in the company of thoughtful, ethically driven and globally minded people.
The Rhodes Society

The Rhodes Trust is grateful to the following Scholars and Friends of the Trust who have so thoughtfully included the Scholarships in their wills and estate plans. We would also like to acknowledge and thank those members who have chosen to support the Scholarships anonymously. Your investment in the Trust ensures that young Scholars of tomorrow will continue to make Oxford an academic home and will thrive in our global Rhodes community.

MESSAGE FROM THE RHODES SOCIETY CO-CHAIRS

This past year was especially memorable as we celebrated the 120th anniversary of the Rhodes Scholarships. It was our honour to meet many of you during the reunion weekend. We especially enjoyed our reception and special celebration of Rhodes Society members’ investment in the Trust’s future vision for Scholarships, Scholar experience, lifelong fellowship and supporting structures.

As our Rhodes Society community continues to grow, we are excited to see Scholars and Friends join across generations; a remarkable reflection of members’ commitment to enhance and mature this incredible legacy for positive impact. We look forward to opportunities to meet with you and we extend our deepest appreciation for your personal commitment to the future potential of the Scholarships.

Kameel Premhid
(KwaZulu-Natal & Lady Margaret Hall 2013)

Sandra Ann Colbourne
(Newfoundland & Corpus Christi 1980)

Investing In A Future We Can Only Imagine

V. Mary Abraham
(Maritimes & St Antony’s 1987)

Nicholas W. Allard
(New York & Merton 1974)

Hugh Ashton
(Rhodesia & New College 1973)

Shazia Azim
(Pakistan & University 1993)

Roger Barrett
(Rhodesia & Worcester 1959)

Brian Belchers
(St Andrews College, Grahamstown & Hertford 1970)

John Bell
(Alberta & Magdalen 1975)

Daniel Bloomfield
(New Jersey & St Johns 1982)
IN MEMORIAM

We honour, remember and are grateful to the following members of the Rhodes Society who passed away this year.

Thomas Böcking  
(Director, Germany & New College 1970)

Julian Ogilvie Thompson  
(Exeter & New College 1953)

John Corbett  
(Queensland & St Catherine's 1965)

Charles Simkins  
(Diocesan College, Rondebosch & Worcester 1953)

Bryce Nelson  
(Idaho & St John's 1959)

Richard L. Schaper  
(New York & University 1967) and Anita Ostrom

Deryck Schreuder  
(Rhodesia & New College 1964)

David S. Shwayder  
(California & Christ Church 1948)

Richard L. Taylor  
(Massachusetts & Wadham 1971) and

Sarah Theobald  

Paul B. Van Buren  
(South Dakota & University 1960)

George Vella-Coleiro  
(Malta & Oriel 1965)

David Walton  
(St Andrew's College, Grahamstown & New College 1971)

Robert Wilkinson  
(Rhodesia & New College 1964) and

Sarah C. Boonstra  

Ida R. Bergstrom  
(Balliol & Worcester 1953) 

Robert G. Rorig  
(Colorado & Wadham 1963)

and Barbara M. Rorig

Loraine Ronchi  
(Alberta & Wadham 1971)

Grahm Wright  
(New Zealand & Balliol 1958) and

Anonymous (6)
Leadership Donors

In recognition of lifetime giving and pledges in support of the Rhodes Scholarships. These donors have invested in the Rhodes Scholarships for the next century.

We salute their extraordinary generosity.

Second Century Founders

In recognition of transformational giving at the £50 million or more threshold.

John H. McCall MacBain O.C.
(Quebec & Wadham 1980)
and Marcy McCall MacBain
The Atlantic Philanthropies

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21st Century Fellow

In recognition of transformational giving at the £10 million or more threshold.

The Salama bint Hamdan
Al Nahyan Foundation
Eric Schmidt and Wendy Schmidt

Global Rhodes Fellow

In recognition of transformational giving at the £5 million or more threshold.

Muhammad Abdulrahman N Alagil
Andrew Banks
(Florida & St Edmund Hall 1976)
and Pamela Banks
Donald J. Gogel
(New Jersey & Balliol 1971)
and Georgia G. Wall
Khazanah Nasional Berhad
Nicholas Oppenheimer
Julian Robertson
Wafic Saida and the Said Foundation

Founder’s Circle

In recognition of transformational giving at the £2.5 million or more threshold.

AP9 Asset Management

Thomas A. Barron
(Colorado & Balliol 1974)
and Currie Barron
Dominic Barton
(British Columbia & Brasenose 1984)
David Cohen
(South Africa-at-Large & Balliol 1983)
and Ezrah Charitable Trust
The Helen Diller Family Foundation
Bruns H. Grayson
(California & University 1974)
and Perrin Grayson
Michael G. McCaffery
(Pennsylvania & Merton 1975)
Patrick Richette
(Quebec & Pembroke 1987)
Stephen A. Schwarzman
Peter Spiro Stamos
(California & Worcester 1981)
and family
John Wylie
(Queensland & Balliol 1983)
and Myriam Wylie
Yang Huiyan
Zhang Fengyi

International Council of Benefactors

In recognition of a commitment of £750,000 or more.

Abdulkarim Abdulrahman N Alagil
Abdullah Abdulrahman N Alagil
Abdusalam Abdulrahman N Alagil
Nasser Abdulrahman N Alagil

Fred Cohen
(Florida & Wolfson 1978)
and Carolyn Klebanoff
Charles Corin
(Massachusetts & St John’s 1975)
and Helen Sykes
Eileen E. Gillese
(Alberta & Wadham 1977)
Robert S. Harrison
(New Jersey & St John’s 1976)
Jiang Zhicheng
Li Ka Shing Foundation
Miles Morland
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David C. Frederick (Texas & University) and Sophia Lynn
Geoffrey Gibbs (California & Merton)

1984

Penelope Brook (New Zealand & Nuffield)
Storrs Hoen (Tennessee & Keble)
John McKenna (Queensland & Magdalen)
Gareth Penny (Diocesan College, Rondelbosch & St Edmund Hall)
Daniel Porterfield (Maryland & Hartford)

1985

Elleke Boehmer (South Africa-at-Large & St John's)
Mark Hender (Victoria & Lincoln)
Paul Kusserow (Vermont & Oral)
Bronek Masojada (South Africa-at-Large & Trinity) and Jane Masojada
Andrew Nussbaum (Illinois & More)
Seumas Woods (Prairies & Exeter)

1986

Dale Abel (Jamaica & Green)
Charles Carter (Diocesan College, Rondelbosch & Wolfson)
Ken Crouse (Wyoming & Lincoln)
Teresa A. Doering-Lewis (Indiana & New College)
Forbes Elworthy (New Zealand & Lady Margaret Hall)
Maurice Jones (Virginia & St John's)
Janet Kentridge (South Africa-at-Large & Balliol)
John David Melin (Saskatchewan & Exeter)
Heidi Tinsman (Iowa & Balliol)

1987

V. Mary Abraham (Maritimes & St Antony's)
Merlin Crossley (Victoria & Magdalen)
William Lipscomb (Virginia & Balliol)
Kumi Naidoo (South Africa-at-Large & Magdalen)
Trevor Norwitz (South African College School, Newlands & Keble)

1988

Robert W. Radlke (Massachusetts & New College)
Ngaire Woods (New Zealand & Balliol)

1989

Christian Ilies (Germany & Magdalen) and Friederike Ilies

1990

Sarah Crosby Campbell (Mississippi & Corpus Christi)
Thomas Eckert (Germany & Christ Church)
Bryan Hassel (Tennessee & Balliol)
Martin LeBlanc (Maritimes & Pembroke)
Stace Lindsay (Montana & St Anne's)
Ann Nicholson (Victoria & St John's)
Bob Peck (Texas & Magdalen) and Ellen Peck
Marlynn Richtark (Kansas & Jesus) and Matt Bolch

1991

Elizabeth A. McLear (British Columbia & Lady Margaret Hall)
Fiona Stewart (Quebec & Lady Margaret Hall)
Graham Thomas (Diocesan College, Rondelbosch & Brasenose)

1992

Douglas Beck (California & New College)
Jodi Evans (Prairies & Magdalen)
Manrie Hughes-Warrington (Tasmania & Merton)
Elisabeth Kull (Germany & St Antony's)
Lissette Nieves (New York & Corpus Christi) and Greg Gurn (Connecticut & Oriel)
Mark O'Neil (Ireland & University)
Glen Power (Western Australia & Magdalen)
Shahnun Rizkians (Malaysia & Christ Church)
Robert A. Sternfels (California & Welsey) and Ashley Sternfels

1993

Charles Day (Australia-at-Large & Magdalen) and Elise Everest
Rhys Edwards (Tasmania & Brasenose)
Kirsten McKenzie (South Africa-at-Large & Magdalen)
Megan McNeill-McKinnell (Prairies & St John's)
Niles Pierce  (California & Christ Church)
Ruju Bhatt Srivastava  (Michigan & Balliol)
and Sameer Srivastava
Pierre Van Hoeylandt  (Germany & Magdalen)
Robert Wilkinson  (Grosvenor College, Rondebosch & Balliol)
1994
Christine Barton  (Texas & New College)
Sonia Batra  (California & Magdalen)
Jonathan Bays  (Prairies & Balliol)
Robert Bowyer  (Zimbabwe & Trinity)
Kuseni Dlamini  (South Africa-at-Large & St Peter’s)
Daniel Fletcher  (Texas & New College)
Alexander Hartemink  (Florida & Magdalen)
Lisa Klein  (South Africa-at-Large & St Antony’s)
Siofra Pierse  (Ireland & Trinity)
Wong Ming  (Hong Kong & Wadham)

1995
Vishal Gulati  (India & Imperial College)
Benjamin Jones  (Massachusetts & Magdalen)
David Klemm  (Germany & Hertford)
Kendra Lange  (South Africa-at-Large & Christ Church)
Elizabeth Leane  (South Australia & Magdalen)
Carol McQueen  (Québec & Balliol)
Katherine Michelmore  (Bermuda & Magdalen)
Pieter Pretorius  (South Africa-at-Large & Green)

1996
Tobias H. Ayer  (Vermont & Worcester)
Subho Banerjee  (Australia-at-Large & Brasenose)
Neil Fenton  (Prairies & New College)
Eric Itambo  (Kenya & Templeton)
Arslan Mian  (Pakistan & St Anne’s)
Frank Lorenz Müller  (Germany & Merton)
Alexander Ploghaus  (Germany & St John’s)

1997
Hans Ackerman  (Virginia & Magdalen)
Shonil Bhagwat  (India & Linacre)
Carmen Cockburn  (Jamaica & Lady Margaret Hall)
Ryan Egeland  (Colorado & St Catherine’s)
Tall Farhadian Weinstein  (New Jersey & Magdalen)
and Boaz Weinstein
Ross Garland  (South Africa-at-Large & Pembroke)
Peter Pormann  (Germany & Corpus Christi)
Benjamin Rimmer  (Victoria & Balliol)

1998
Mauro de Lorenzo  (Delaware & Linacre)
Anne Jones  (Tennessee & St John’s)
André Koch  (Paul Ross Gymnasium, Stekenborg & St John’s)
John W. McArthur  (British Columbia & Brasenose)
Richard Pan  (Ontario & Balliol)
Ebbo Patel  (Illinois & Lady Margaret Hall)

1999
Niaz Azadullah  (Bangladesh & St Antony’s)
Bobak R. Azarnian  (Texas & St John’s)
Christopher Douglas  (Massachusetts & Balliol)
Murray W. McCutcheon  (British Columbia & Trinity)
Manuel Montoya  (New Mexico & University)

2000
Julian Harris  (Georgia & Balliol)
Cameron Hepburn  (Australia-at-Large & Magdalen)
Ndumiso Luthuli  (KwaZulu-Natal & St Peter’s)

2001
David Cloke  (Tasmania & Worcester)
Amaële Deb  (New Brunswick & Harris Manchester)
Bradley Henderson  (Ohio & Wolfson)
Thomas McCaleb  (Florida & Lady Margaret Hall)
Christian Thorun  (Germany & St Anthony’s)

2002
Neil Brown  (Iowa & Merton)
Dominique Chapat  (New Brunswick & Brasenose)
Gareth Morgan  (South Africa-at-Large & Linacre)
Inosi Nyatta  (Kenya & Magdalen)
Michael Sommer  (Germany & Somerville)
Neelaksh K. Varshey  (Alabama & Corpus Christi)
Wiesner Vos  (Paul Ross Gymnasium, Stekenborg & Brasenose)

2003
Mark Abrahamson  (South Africa-at-Large & Wadham)
Nicholas Ferreira  (South Africa-at-Large & Wolfson)
Fiona Herring  (Bermuda & Brasenose)
Anthony P. House  (Washington & Christ Church)
Heidi Hung  (Hong Kong & St Anne’s)
Hammad Khan  (Pakistan & Wolfson)
2004
Bethany Ehlmann (Missouri & Hertford)
Florian Heinemann (Germany & Hertford)
Gary Huang (South Africa-at-Large & Green)
Chenoa Marquis (Commonwealth Caribbean & Brasenose)
Mwashuma Nyatta (Kenya & Linacre)
Kenneth Townsend (Mississippi & Trinity)
Christopher W. Wells (Virginia & Balliol)

2005
Carolyn April (Utah & Jesus)
Evelyn Chan (Hong Kong & St Antony’s)
Joelle Abra Faulkner (Ontario & Wadham)
Chauncy Harris (Wisconsin & Merton)
David J. Knezevic (Western Australia & Balliol)
Swati Mylavarapu (Florida & Wolfson)
and Matt Rogers
Andreas Nunnenkamp (Germany & St John’s)

2006
Elizabeth Pearson (Iowa & Somerville)
Simon Quinn (Queensland & Keble)
Graham Reynolds (Maritimes & Balliol)
Michael Rivers-Bowerman (British Columbia & Corpus Christi)
Eugene Shenderov (New York & Magdalen)
Trevor Thompson (Washington & University)
Hannah Tonkin (South Australia & Balliol)

2007
Adam Chandler (North Carolina & Queen’s)
Alexander Dewar (Oregon & Linacre)
Jeremy Robinson (Indiana & Balliol)
Heidi Stöckl (Germany & Nuffield)

2008
Jason R. Bello (Massachusetts & Magdalen)
Reed Doucette (California & Hertford)
Julia Matheson (New Zealand & Balliol)
Joyce Meng (Virginia & Balliol)
Ng Siu Lunn Siron (Hong Kong & Wolfson)

2009
Matthew Brown (Australia-at-Large & Brasenose)
Nikolas Kirby (Australia-at-Large & Brasenose)
Anthea Lindquist (Victoria & Green Templeton)
Josh Lospinoso (New Jersey & Magdalen)
John McAnearney (Western Australia & Magdalen)
Amol Verma (Maritimes & St Hilda’s) and Reema Shah

2010
Philip Aligned (Germany & Corpus Christi)
Matthew Baum (Massachusetts & Balliol)
Stephanie Bell (Iowa & St John’s)
Caroline Huang (Delaware & Merton)
Christopher McConnachie (South Africa-at-Large & Lincoln)
Lyle Murray (KwaZulu-Natal & University)
Malebogo Ngoepe (South Africa-at-Large & Wadham)
Rosanna Nicol (Maritimes & Wolfson)
Mari Rabie (South Africa-at-Large & St Catherine’s)

2011
Brendan Alexander (Ontario & New College)
Fagan Harris (Maryland/DC & St John’s)
Richard Higgins (New Zealand & St Catherine’s)
Challenger Mishra (India & Exeter)

2012
Alina Brodersen (Germany & St John’s)
Akul Dayal (India & Green Templeton)
Rebecca Dixon (Maritimes & St Hilda’s)
Mark Heasoon (Prairies & Harris Manchester)
Rachel Paterson (Western Australia & St Edmund Hall)

2013
Madeleine Ballard (Quebec & Trinity)
Jennifer Bright (New York & Balliol)
Connor Emdin (Ontario & St John’s)
Benjamin Hunn (Tasmania & St Peter’s)
Paul Manning (Maritimes & Magdalen)
Laura Pittman (Newfoundland & St John’s)
Karine Prentkis (New Zealand & St John’s)
Mubeen Shakir (Oklahoma & Balliol)
Edward Stace (New Zealand & Balliol)

2014
Benjamin Abraham (New Zealand & St Catherine’s)
Anthony Payne (Newfoundland & St John’s)
Jonathan Pedder (Prairies & Merton)
Alice Wang (New Zealand & St Catherine’s)
Thomas Woodward (Australia-at-Large & St Antony’s)
2015
Joseph Barrett
(New York & New College)
Cherelle Dacon
(Commonwealth Caribbean & St Edmund Hall)
Lukas Lange
(Germany & Magdalen)
Benjamin Mappin-Kasirer
(Quebec & Magdalen)
David Moore
(Michigan & St Hilda’s)

2016
Léo Bureau-Blouin
(Quebec & University)
James Flynn
(Newfoundland & Pembroke)
Oscar Lyons
(New Zealand & Balliol)
Kimberley Savill
(New Zealand & Brasenose)

2017
Jung Kian Ng
(Malaysia & Oriel)
Timur Ohloff
(Germany & Pembroke)
Thomas Williamson
(New South Wales & Oriel)

2018
Michael Chen
(Colorado & Lincoln)
Thomas Xavier Gonzalez
(Texas & Balliol)
Clara Lepard
(Michigan & Merton)
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