

# Friends of Joyce Tower Society

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The **Friends of Joyce Tower Society** is a voluntary body which seeks to promote the Joyce Tower as a museum and to promote an interest in James Joyce and his work generally. Our principal activity is to staff the Tower on a volunteer basis, without which this iconic building would be closed to Joyce enthusiasts and the general public. As a result of our efforts the James Joyce Tower has been kept open 365 days a year.

At the moment the membership of the Society stands at more than 200. We are anxious to continually welcome new members. Membership is open to any person over 18 who supports the aims of the Society. Take the opportunity to speak to a volunteer at the Tower about what it means and check out our constitution on our website [www.joycetower.ie](http://www.joycetower.ie). Membership costs €10 annually.

**Benefits of membership:** Members receive regular updates on the activities of the Society and on Joycean activities generally. Members are entitled to vote at the Society's AGM and to participate in social gatherings organised throughout the year. You will also be notified of activities organised by other organisations involved in activities related to James Joyce.

**Volunteering:** All members are also invited to consider volunteering for staff duty in the Tower. This is not a condition of membership, but an additional opportunity to take part in the life of the Tower. Approximately half of our members are also volunteers who man the Tower on a roster basis. Volunteers particularly enjoy the interaction with the very diverse public who come from all over the world. We make them welcome and many visitors comment on how engagement with the volunteers has enhanced their experience of the museum. You don't have to be a Joyce expert to volunteer! Training will be available. If you speak another language let us know!

**Volunteers manning the Tower are required to make themselves available once a week for 2 hours on a day of their choosing. Allowance is made for volunteer availability during holiday periods and weekends.** A committee member (Coordinator) takes responsibility for organising a weekly rota from the group of volunteers allocated to a particular day of the week.

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### Application for Membership

Name: (Capitals) \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile no. \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Languages: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to apply for membership of the Friends of Joyce Tower Society and enclose €10

I would also like to be a volunteer for duty at the Tower and would be available for duty on \_\_\_\_\_ (specify which day of the week would suit you).

If you choose to volunteer, the coordinator for your chosen day will be in touch with you.

Administration notes: