



LEAVE A GIFT IN YOUR WILL  
AND SAFEGUARD THE  
WALLACE COLLECTION  
FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS

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# THE WALLACE COLLECTION IS ONE OF THE WORLD'S GREAT BEQUEST STORIES

In 1897 Lady Wallace followed her husband's wishes and bequeathed the family's art collection to the nation, creating the greatest collection of art ever left to the British nation. It is thanks to the generosity of Lady Wallace and the legacy she made in her Will that the Wallace Collection is here for us to share and enjoy today.

Although we are currently building an endowment, the Wallace Collection was originally unendowed. Whilst we receive a government grant to maintain the fabric of the building and provide public access to the Collection, we still need to raise over £2 million a year to fund our activities as well as additional amounts for specific capital projects.

Leaving a legacy to the Wallace Collection is a way of acknowledging the enjoyment the museum has given you and making a lasting difference to the future of the Collection. In your bequest, you can direct your gift towards whichever area of the museum you enjoy or wish to support the most - be it learning and education, object conservation, exhibitions, gallery refurbishment, or scholarship.

As the Wallace Collection is an exempt charity, your gift will be free of inheritance tax and may be an effective way of reducing the tax liability of your estate whilst benefiting a favourite charity.

Gift amount	How your gift could be used
£2,000	Help fund a community project for a year
£5,000	Fund the annual maintenance on clocks
£15,000	Fund our secondary schools programme for a year
£20,000	Fund the conservation of an Old Master painting
£150,000	As a gift to the endowment, would fund the education programme for all major exhibitions in perpetuity
£300,000	Refurbish a gallery

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# WHAT KIND OF GIFT?

There are three ways you can benefit the Wallace Collection in your Will: by leaving a residuary legacy, a pecuniary legacy or by leaving a specific bequest.

- **Residuary Legacy** – this is the amount of the whole or portion of your estate after gifts to your family and friends as well as other specific gifts have been distributed
- **Pecuniary Legacy** – this is a fixed sum of money decided by you
- **Specific Bequest** – a gift of specific personal possessions such as property, land or shares

For suggested wording for your Will visit the website or contact the Wallace Collection.

Please note that if you have already made a Will, you can add a codicil to include additional gifts.

Whilst it is very simple to leave something in your Will, we recommend that you consult your solicitor or professional advisor. We collaborate with the Goodwill Partnership which provides home-visit Will writing services at a discounted rate.

*“My legacy is very selfish, and very personal; a way of recycling a lifetime of yearning into practical art conservation”*

Pippa Rathborne  
Legacy pledger



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# THANK YOU

Gifts to the Wallace Collection are acknowledged in the most appropriate manner, be it through our Legacies and Bequests donor board, or an acknowledgment in the Annual Report. Naming opportunities exist for major capital projects.

By pledging a legacy, you will also join a group of supporters who care deeply for the Wallace Collection. You will receive a bi-annual newsletter and be kept informed of our work.

If you would like further information on leaving a legacy to the Wallace Collection please contact:

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