

## UNIVERSITY OF WINCHESTER GRADUATION 2018

### **Honorary Doctorates**

*Honorary Doctorates are awarded to individuals with personal distinction and public service in a field relevant to the University's activities who have a connection with the University, the city of Winchester or the region.*

### **Honorary Fellows**

*Honorary Fellowships are awarded to individuals in recognition of their service to the mission, values, disciplines and community of the University of Winchester.*

### **Wendy Allsopp**

#### **Honorary Fellowship for services to choreography**

Wendy Allsopp began dance studies with Miss Catherine Bllelock in Leigh-on-Sea, Essex. At the age of 12, she joined the Arts Educational School, Tring, specialising in Ballet and Music before joining the Royal Ballet School Teacher Training Course at the age of 16.

She graduated in 1975 as Head Student with the Royal Ballet School Diploma for the teaching of Ballet, the Leonide Massine Choreographic Diploma (Hons) and the Benesh Notation Diploma. Wendy then came to Winchester to take over a small dance school previously run by former Olympic athlete, Maureen Gardner. The Lewis-Allsopp School has grown to provide a sound training for aspiring dancers and dance enthusiasts.

Wendy coaches students with a special aptitude for dance for auditions to vocational schools. Former pupils have gone forward to dance with the Royal Ballet, international ballet companies and on the West End stage. Many pupils have also gone on to teach dance and form successful dance companies.

Her dance school also has a performance group who go out to take dance into the community.

Wendy is now assisting the Imperial Society of Teachers of Dancing, working with established teachers as a mentor to further their education in dance studies.

### **Stephen Baldwin**

#### **Awarded an Honorary Fellowship for services to education and the University**

Stephen Baldwin studied at King Alfred's College from 1963-1966 for his Certificate of Education in Secondary Mathematics and Physics. During this time, he was Secretary of the King Alfred's College Students' Union.

He had a career in education spanning 49 years. With a particular gift for Maths, he taught teachers in the secondary, further education and higher education sectors and developed regional and national training programmes for Maths teachers.

Stephen has supported the University in a volunteer capacity since 1966. He is a Year Secretary, helping to keep in touch with and reconvene his year group. Since 1974, he has been a member of the Winton Club Committee, overseeing alumni activities. He served as Honorary Treasurer of the Committee and is now Chairman of the Winton Club

Working Group. Additionally, he has completed two terms as the elected Former Student Governor on the University's Board of Governors.

Stephen has also given time to the service of others. He served as a part-time sports journalist with BBC Radio Teeside. He was also a member of Bishop's Tachbrook Parish Council, Honorary Secretary for Teeside Schools Cricket Association, Honorary Secretary for Warwickshire Schools Cricket Association and a member of Leamington Cricket Club.

### **Barry Cunningham OBE**

#### **Honorary Doctorate of Letters for services to business and literature**

Barry Cunningham has had an impressive career in publishing. After earning an English degree at Cambridge, he joined Penguin Books in 1977. As Children's Marketing Director for Puffin, he worked with many great names in children's books including Roald Dahl and Spike Milligan, and was responsible for the re-launch of Beatrix Potter. In 1984, he was promoted to the Penguin Board and became responsible for the marketing of all Penguin Books, a position he held until 1988 when he was headhunted by Random House.

In 1994, he was approached by Bloomsbury to set up their first children's book list. Not only was the new list a success, but Barry soon became one of the best known names in publishing after he signed up J K Rowling's *Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone*. Barry left Bloomsbury at the height of its success and, in early 2000, decided to start his own publishing company. The result was Chicken House, a lively and creative company publishing highly original and enjoyable children's books, with a special emphasis on new fiction.

### **Leymah Gbowee**

#### **Honorary Doctorate of Arts for services to social justice**

2011 Nobel Peace Laureate Leymah Gbowee is a Liberian peace activist, social worker and women's rights advocate. Leymah is best known for leading the Women of Liberia Mass Action for Peace, a nonviolent movement that brought together Christian and Muslim women to play a pivotal role in ending Liberia's devastating, 14-year civil war in 2003.

While the Liberian civil war raged, Leymah became a young mother and trained as a social worker and trauma counsellor, working with ex-child soldiers. Subsequently, she became a founding member and Liberia Coordinator of the Women in Peacebuilding Network of the West Africa Network for Peacebuilding.

In 2006, she co-founded the Women Peace and Security Network Africa in Accra and went on to serve as its Executive Director for six years. WIPSEN-A is a women-focused, women-led pan-African nonprofit organisation dedicated to promoting women's strategic participation in peace and security governance on the continent.

In 2012, Leymah launched a new non-profit organisation, the Gbowee Peace Foundation Africa, in Monrovia, Liberia, which provides educational and leadership development opportunities for women, girls and youth. She serves on the Board of Directors of the Nobel Women's Initiative, the Gbowee Peace Foundation and the PeaceJam Foundation. She is a member of the African Women Leaders Network for Reproductive Health and Family Planning.

Leymah has emerged as a global leader whose participation is in demand at meetings of the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women and other major international conferences.

She holds a Masters in Conflict Transformation from Eastern Mennonite University, Harrisonburg, Virginia, USA.

### **Howard Horstead**

#### **Honorary Doctorate of Letters for services to education and the University**

Howard has devoted over 60 years to supporting the University of Winchester and its predecessor institutions, working tirelessly as a volunteer and philanthropist. He has given counsel to the institution's executive through 15 years' service on the Board of Governors and various committees.

He has dedicated much of his spare time to developing The Winton Club, founded in 1874. A member since graduating in 1955 from King Alfred's College, the University's predecessor institution, he was rapidly promoted to Assistant Secretary and then in 1985 to Honorary Secretary of the Winton Club. He retired from the post in June after 33 years.

As Honorary Secretary, Howard acted as chair for the panel of the Winton Club Benevolent Fund, which helps students and dependents of alumni who are in particular need of financial support. He also played a major role in shaping the annual Winton Club Reunion Weekend, which is attended by alumni of all ages.

His selfless commitment to the institution has been given alongside a career in education, culminating in the post of local education authority education officer prior to his retirement in 1992. He also served as a local councillor and chairman of the parish council.

### **Amanda Mackenzie OBE**

#### **Honorary Doctorate of Letters for services to business**

Amanda Mackenzie took up the role of Chief Executive of Business in the Community in October 2016. Business in the Community is one of The Prince's Charities, a group of not-for-profit organisations of which HRH The Prince of Wales is the Royal Founding Patron. It is a business-led membership organisation made up of progressive businesses who understand that the prosperity of business and society are mutually dependent.

Previously, Amanda sat on Aviva's Group Executive for eight years as Chief Marketing Officer. Latterly, she spent 18 months on secondment as Executive Advisor/Chair for 'Project Everyone' launching the UN's Global Sustainable Development Goals.

Amanda is a graduate of the University of London and INSEAD. She has over 25 years of commercial experience, including director roles at British Airways Airmiles, British Telecom, HP and British Gas. She was a non-executive director of Mothercare PLC for six years.

She was previously on the board of the National Youth Orchestra and a member of Lord Davies' review steering group to increase the number of women on boards. Amanda is a Life Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts and Fellow and past president of the Marketing Society. She received an OBE in the New Year's Honours List 2014.

## **Bill Nelson**

### **Honorary Doctorate of Arts for services to music**

Founder of Be-Bop Deluxe in 1973, guitarist Bill Nelson wrote all of the band's material. Signed to EMI, the band released five studio albums and scored a top ten UK hit with the single *Ships In The Night*.

In 1979, Bill disbanded Be-Bop Deluxe and launched Red Noise whose *Sound-On-Sound* album is often cited as an inspiration by many younger bands.

Bill then formed his own independent record label, Cocteau Records. Throughout the 80s and 90s he released many solo albums, as well as collaborating with other musicians such as Yellow Magic Orchestra, David Sylvian, Harold Budd, The Associates, Cabaret Voltaire, Sandy and the Sunsets and Channel Light Vessel. As a producer, he has worked on albums for Roger Eno, The Skids, Gary Numan, The Units, The Rhythm Sisters, Nash The Slash and many others.

Bill has composed and recorded music for film, television and theatrical productions.

## **Lady Kay Norrington**

### **Honorary Fellowship for services to choreography, spirituality and music**

Kay Norrington was born in London in 1952. She was educated at the Convent of the Sacred Heart. This laid the foundations for her career in the theatre and music, imbuing her with a love of humanity and community.

Kay studied at the Royal Ballet School. After graduating, she joined Ballet Rambert touring through the UK and Europe under her professional name of Kay Lawrence. After a serious injury she studied at the University of Sussex, obtaining a Bachelors of Education (Hons) in English and Drama.

She subsequently became a choreographer and stage director, working at Covent Garden, the English National Opera and Sadlers Wells. She was also a Professor at the Royal College of Music for 13 years and was made an honorary Fellow of the Royal College of Music.

Alongside these activities, Kay ran the London Classical Players, The Early Opera Project and The Early Dance Project.

Until 2016, she was the Musical Director of Southern Sinfonia, a chamber orchestra with an annual education programme for 8,000 children and young people.

Now retired, Kay lives in Devon and is a passionate campaigner for music in schools and a fundraiser for Myeloma UK.

## **Bruce Parker MBE**

### **Honorary Fellowship for services to broadcasting and presenting**

Bruce Parker was educated at Elizabeth College Guernsey and is a graduate of the University of Wales and the University of Reading. While at university, he was an education correspondent for *The Times* and *The Times Educational Supplement*. After teaching at Elizabeth College, he became a BBC news and current affairs reporter, presenter and producer. Bruce also pioneered a local radio experiment in the Channel Islands which led to the establishment of local radio in the United Kingdom.

He has presented many shows on BBC 1, including *Nationwide*, *Badger Watch* and *Antiques Roadshow*. Bruce is best known for regional news programme *South Today*, which he presented from 1967 until 2001. Concurrently, he became BBC South's political editor and a member of the House of Commons Press Gallery in 1992.

Bruce is a former member of the Hampshire County Council Education Advisory Committee, Chairman and Trustee of Friends of Winchester Cathedral and Trustee of Winchester Cathedral.

He has received numerous awards including the Royal Television Society's Reporter of the Year 1982, Industry Achievement Award 1998 and the Director General's Special Award 2002/3.

### **Louise Shorter** **Honorary Fellowship for services to rights campaigning**

From 1991 to 2008 Louise Shorter worked at the BBC as a television and radio researcher, director and producer. During her time there, she assisted with investigations into cases of alleged miscarriages of justice, including helping overturn wrongful convictions on the *Rough Justice* programme.

Following her time at the BBC, Louise set up the charity Inside Justice in July 2010 and continues to serve as its Director and CEO. Inside Justice uses an advisory panel of experts from a wide range of disciplines to consider cases where there is an alleged miscarriage of justice. It commissions new forensic work on individual cases and supporting academic research on key issues impacting the criminal justice system, Inside Justice aims to keep a spotlight on the subject of wrongful convictions and has been asked to investigate over 1,200 cases.

Louise was also a consultant to *The Guardian's* Justice on Trial website at its launch and continues to be involved in media projects, including the recent *Conviction* series on the BBC.

### **Ben Smith** **Honorary Fellowship for services in support of mental health issues**

During Ben's childhood he suffered at the hands of bullies. This had a profound impact on his confidence and self-esteem and led him to try to take his own life twice. While on the surface he appeared successful, driven and confident, he suffered from depression throughout his twenties.

After a Transient Ischaemic Attack ('mini stroke') at the age of 29, Ben decided to change his life. He started to run and through running found an adventurous spirit and purpose. In two years he ran almost 30 marathons and his self-esteem grew.

In 2014, he launched The 401 Challenge and ran 401 marathons in 401 days all around the UK. Over 13,500 runners joined Ben on his adventure and the challenge raised over £330,000 for anti-bullying charities.

Since finishing the 401 Challenge, Ben has received the BBC Sports Personality of the Year Helen Rollason Award 2016, the Pride of Britain ITV Fundraiser of the Year Award 2016 and the Prime Minister's Points of Light Award.

Ben has set up The 401 Foundation which provides grants to support small, grassroots community projects and individuals to build confidence and self-esteem along with tackling mental health and self-development issues.

### **Sir John Timpson CBE**

#### **Honorary Doctorate of Letters for services to business**

John Timpson has had a distinguished career in the retail sector, managing a number of brands including shoe repair and key-cutting business Timpson.

Born in 1943, John was educated at Oundle School and the University of Nottingham. He joined the family footwear business William Timpson Limited in 1970 and was appointed as Managing Director in 1975. Timpson now has over 2,000 branches nationwide with profits of more than £20m. It is a private business wholly owned by John Timpson and his family.

He has also acquired numerous retail chains, including Max Spielmann and Johnson and Jeeves dry cleaning, adding over 700 shops.

John was a Trustee at Uppingham School and ChildLine. He has also written a number of management and business philosophy books in which he discusses his unique business style, which he calls 'upside-down management'. For 11 years John has had a weekly column in the *Daily Telegraph*.

John is leading a campaign to encourage all schools to be aware of the needs of looked-after children. In 2004 he was awarded the CBE in the Birthday Honours List for services to the retail sector and in 2017 was knighted for his services to business and fostering.

### **The Rt Revd and Rt Hon Lord Williams of Oystermouth**

#### **Honorary Doctorate of Arts for services to the public and social justice**

Dr Williams began his career a lecturer at Mirfield Theological College. He returned to Cambridge as Tutor and Director of Studies at Westcott House. After ordination in Ely Cathedral, he was appointed to a University of Cambridge lectureship in Divinity. In 1984 he was elected a Fellow and Dean of Clare College Cambridge. During his time at Clare he was arrested and fined for singing psalms as part of the Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament protest at Lakenheath air-base. He then returned to Oxford as Lady Margaret Professor of Divinity for six years, before becoming Bishop of Monmouth, and, from 2000, Archbishop of Wales. In 2002, he became the 104th Archbishop of Canterbury.

He holds a doctorate from Christ Church Cambridge and Wadham College Oxford and an Oxford higher degree of Doctor of Divinity. He holds honorary doctorates from over a dozen institutions. He is also an elected Fellow of the British Academy, the Royal Society of Literature and the Learned Society of Wales. In 2013, he was made a life peer, becoming Lord Williams of Oystermouth, in the City and County of Swansea. Dr Williams took up the mastership of Magdalene College Cambridge in 2013. He is a noted poet and translator of poetry and, apart from Welsh, speaks or reads nine other languages. He has published studies of Arius, Teresa of Avila, and Sergii Bulgakov along with a wide range of writings on theological, historical and political themes.

**Lisa Willis**  
**Honorary Fellowship for services to social work**

Lisa Willis has worked in the public/voluntary sector in Hampshire for the past 40 years in a variety of roles.

After starting her career in housing, she began to work with young people and completed her youth and community professional qualification in 1991, the Graduate Certificate in Practice Education in 2004 and a Masters in Education in 2006.

Between 1991 and 2004 she was Chief Executive of Hampshire-wide charity, Voices, giving Scope to Parents and Children. She has been a visiting lecturer and adviser to a number of universities in the field of social care and youth community work, including Reading, Southampton and Winchester.

In her current role as Assistant Head of Workforce Development for Children's Services at Hampshire County Council, Lisa oversees the recruitment of graduate trainees into Social Work and, working closely with the University of Winchester, chairs the South Coast Regional Partnership for Step Up to Social Work, a Department for Education Fast Track into Social Work initiative.

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