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The Friends of the British Library

The Friends of the British Library is an independent charity (no. 328095) established in 1989 to help the British Library by making regular grants for acquisitions, exhibitions, new equipment and other activities.

Join today and enjoy special privileges with over 3,000 other Friends.

Membership starts at just £35 a year and your support will help to protect our intellectual, scientific and cultural heritage for future generations.

How your money is used

Grants by the Friends have totalled over £500,000 and cover a wide range of items and activities. A room has been named after a Friend in the Conservation Centre following a very generous legacy, and another legacy has allowed the Friends to sponsor an internship programme in Conservation.

The Friends have been involved in funding important acquisitions like the Dering Roll (shown below) and a rare tin book (see overleaf) as well as wholly funding smaller purchases.

The Friends have also supported a number of major exhibitions, allowing the Library to include items it would otherwise have been unable to show.



Benefits for Friends

- Private guided visits to leading libraries, museums and collections
- Free admission to Library exhibitions when there is an entry charge*
- Quarterly Friends Newsletter and the British Library's *Exhibitions and Events* brochure
- Comfortable Members' Room with newspapers and magazines
- Discount in the Library Shop*
- Discount on lectures in the Library*
- Discounts on outside cultural events

* Discounts are at the discretion of the British Library

Other ways to support the Friends

Contact the Friends Office if you would like information on leaving a legacy. Donations can be sent using the attached form.

How to join the Friends

Simply complete the form to the right and send it to the Friends Office in the British Library. If you would like to arrange a gift membership for a friend or relative, just ask for a gift membership form.

Some of the acquisitions made possible with the help of the Friends

Background image: Monteverdi letters and the Dering Roll (pictured left).

Friends of the British Library Membership Application Form

Please complete this form and return to:
FRIENDS OF THE BRITISH LIBRARY
96 Euston Road
London
NW1 2DB

Contact details

Your title

Your name

(If Joint) **Title and Full Name**

Your address

Postcode

Telephone

Email

Friends would like to use email to communicate with members, but will never pass this on to other organisations.

You can also join Online at www.bl.uk/friends
Select: Make a Donation to the Friends

Subscription rates

Please select subscription type

	Single	Joint
Annual Standard	<input type="checkbox"/> £45	<input type="checkbox"/> £60
Annual Concessionary*	<input type="checkbox"/> £35	<input type="checkbox"/> £45
Life Membership	<input type="checkbox"/> £675	<input type="checkbox"/> £900

* Students, under 25, over 60.

A reduction of £5 applies to the annual rates above if you agree to pay by Direct Debit.

Direct Debit (please complete form overleaf).

Additional donation £

Annual

One-off

How to pay

I am enclosing my cheque made payable to
made payable to **Friends of the British Library**, for

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Please debit my Mastercard/Visa/Delta/Maestro/
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Security code*

Signature

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At no cost to yourself, add almost one third extra to your gift!

Please choose to Gift Aid your donation. We can claim an extra 25p of tax on every £1 you give on or after 6 April 2008. In addition, the Government will pay to the Friends of British Library 3p on every £1 you give between 6 April 2008 and 5 April 2011.

I am a UK tax payer and would like the Friends of the British Library to claim Gift Aid on all donations I have made since 5 April 2004 and any I make in the future, until I notify you otherwise.

SIGNATURE

DATE

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NB You must pay an amount of Income Tax/Capital Gains Tax for each tax year (6 April one year to 5 April the next) that is at least equal to the amount of tax that the Friends of the British Library will reclaim on your gifts for that tax year.

What happens next?

Please send your completed form to:

Friends of the British Library
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If you have any further questions about the Friends, please email us at friends@bl.uk or telephone +44 (0)20 7412 7734.

The Friends of the British Library would like to contact you from time to time for future fundraising purposes. Please tick the box to indicate your consent to this.



Please tick this box if you would like to receive details of British Library events, exhibitions and special offers.

Please note that the Friends of the British Library will not share your details with third party organisations.

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Above: the Marinetti Tin Book (*Parole In Libertà Futuriste Olfattive Tattili Termiche*).
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