

Dear Members of the AKS

New correspondence Address: As the Centre for Manx Studies has now moved to new premises at the University Centre, Douglas Isle of Man, our new address is:

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As we get closer to the end of our financial year we can celebrate another very successful year. The Society has now been established as a charity for four years. With more than 37,000 visits to our website in the last 12 months from all corners of the world bringing the legacy of Archibald Knox to an ever increasing number of people of all nationalities.

Our online purchasing has been very useful thanks to [Connect2Charity](#). This makes payments online safe and simple from around the world. Our annual newsletter keeping members up to date with international trends in all aspects of AK's work as well as the many activities organised by the Society is much appreciated by all our members (free to members only). We also produced the second volume of the more academic AKS Journal which is currently on sale at the Manx Museum and online.

The highlight of the year for many was the Arts Awards. This gave an opportunity for many of our members to be involved in society activities and meet each other by acting as judges at exhibitions in our secondary schools. We presented 12 Archibald Knox Art Certificates and a total of £600 in prizes. This got very good coverage in the media. We also organised the Norman Sayle prize for Art in conjunction with the Isle of Man Post Office at the Isle of Man College, 3 certificates and prizes of £300 were awarded. All of these activities have been made possible by your moral and financial support even in these difficult fiscal times. As of yet we have not found the extra finance, outside membership fees, to award these Art Prizes in 2010.

### **Public Art Project**

In the last year, as chairman of the AKS I have been involved with a major Public Art project for Douglas in honour of Archibald Knox. The final details are currently been drawn up and it will shortly be announced in the media. Details will appear on our website. This will have both national and international significance and is the result of the work our society did in bringing the Knox legacy before the public. This is ultimately due to your individual support for the society and would not have happened without you.

**A Society Review:** A complete review of the society will take place at the next directors meeting soon after Easter. If you would like to put forward any ideas for the future now is the time to submit them by writing to the above address.

**Annual Subscription 2010-2011** The Society Annual Membership fee is due each year on the 1<sup>st</sup> April. For the current year (2010-2011) the AKS annual subscription will remain at £15 per individual and £20 for a family. Life membership is £500. (I am especially grateful to the two life members we had in the last year). Although we have not raised the membership fee an extra £5 donation towards the school art awards would be most welcome. Your speedy payment would be much appreciated. Please pay by cheque/post or [online](#)

Yours sincerely,  
Liam O'Neill,  
Chairman/Founder