

## **AGD: Introduction of Arts Representatives of Activities Zone**

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### **What would you like to change in the Bye-Laws?**

**The introduction of two Arts Societies Representatives (one for Performance Arts Societies and one for Non-Performance Arts Societies) to the Activities Zone as voting members.**

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Why would you like to do this?

Currently each society category has at least one elected representative (one for each society category and 6 for sports) on the Activities Zone in addition to the relevant Part Time Officers. Arts are currently only represented by the Arts Officer and have no additional representation. This minimises the information the Arts community can feed into Zone discussions and given their high level of activity, high value Bloomsbury Productions, as well as numerous events that cater to that community, I believe the Union, specifically Activities, would benefit greatly from having this communication channel.

Also, as sub-groups are formed within the Zone, there is currently a sports sub-group with the Sports Officer and Sports Reps, and a Societies sub-group with the Societies Officer and Societies Reps. The Arts Officer has no representatives to work with for the Arts sub-group, which puts unneeded pressure on the Arts Officer, who will have to work alone on all arts related issues and events.

How will this affect students?

This amendment will allow our Arts Societies to be better and more accurately represented during discussions regarding policy that can directly affect how they function (an example being the proposal regarding reducing our printed materials - which could directly affecting shows and productions and how they market themselves).

It will also allow for even more student perspective on all matters that arise in the Zone as it will increase the membership of student voice by 2 and allow for other perspectives in discussions regarding sports/societies that are not directly Arts related.