## King becomes Royal patron of National Galleries of Scotland

Today the National Galleries of Scotland has announced that it has been awarded the Royal Patronage of His Majesty, King Charles III.

This news comes following a review of all the patronages held by the late Queen Elizabeth II, the former Prince of Wales and the former Duchess of Cornwall, earlier this year.

A Royal Patron provides support and vital publicity for the work that an organisation does, as well as promoting this to others. The awarding of a Royal Patronage recognises the National Galleries of Scotland's enormous achievements and contributions to society in Scotland.

Benny Higgins, Chairman of the National Galleries of Scotland, said: "We're delighted that King Charles III has accepted the Royal Patronage of the National Galleries of Scotland. His Majesty has consistently shown his support for the arts and has demonstrated a deep appreciation for the value that art offers to everyone in Scotland."

Anne Lyden, Director-General of the National Galleries of Scotland, said: "It's wonderful that His Majesty, the King is now our Royal Patron. It's a real honour and a recognition of the positive work we do to care for Scotland's amazing art collection, and to provide our country with free access to the very best art, events and exhibitions. We look forward to His Majesty's support as we continue our mission to make art work

## for everyone."



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