



Marbles
Reunited

Friends of The British Committee for
the Reunification of the Parthenon Marbles

Some frequently asked questions about Marbles Reunited

What is Marbles Reunited?

Marbles reunited is a British campaigning organisation. Its full name is Marbles Reunited (Friends of the British Committee for the Reunification of the Parthenon Marbles).

What are the objects of Marbles Reunited?

To promote by any lawful means the case for the return of the Parthenon Sculptures to Greece.

What are the Parthenon Sculptures?

A fabulous collection of classical Greek sculptures in the British Museum, which used to be known as the “Elgin Marbles”. They were removed mostly from the Parthenon in Athens by the 7th Earl of Elgin in controversial circumstances.

Is Marbles Reunited a new organisation?

Marbles Reunited was formerly known as Parthenon 2004. The change of name and updating of the website, marked by a reception at the House of Commons on 21st March 2007, herald a stepping-up of the campaign for the return of the Parthenon Sculptures in anticipation of the imminent completion of the New Acropolis Museum in Athens.

Who owns Marbles Reunited?

Marbles Reunited is an unincorporated association owned by its members for the time being. It's activities are conducted in conformity with the terms of its constitution, adopted on 19th February 2007.

Is Marbles Reunited a charity?

Marbles Reunited is not, and under United Kingdom law cannot be a charity because its objects are principally political.

Who runs Marbles Reunited?

The affairs of Marbles Reunited are run by a management committee and its officers. Currently the Chairman is Eddie O'Hara MP. The other members of the committee have diverse backgrounds in politics, the media, the arts, the academic, legal, architectural and museological professions and information technology.

Who funds Marbles Reunited?

Marbles Reunited relies on donations from supporters and income generated from subscriptions and fund-raising activities. It also acknowledges with thanks a generous donation from the British Committee for the Reunification of the Parthenon Marbles.

What does Marbles Reunited do?

As stated above, Marbles Reunited seeks to promote the case for the return of the sculptures by any lawful means. In addition to staging high profile events for politicians and opinion formers this has included and will continue to include making formal submissions to the Culture, Media and Sport Select Committee and to the DCMS; supplying speakers for colleges, universities, business and social clubs and other interest groups; monitoring developments in the law and in museum practice; monitoring and writing to the media; producing and circulating publicity materials and a periodic newsletter; staging a number of "fun" events for its members and for the general public, and anything else calculated to further the aims of Marbles Reunited.

Can anyone join Marbles Reunited?

Membership is open to all adults who support the objects of Marbles Reunited and pay the minimum annual subscription (currently £10). Applications are particularly welcome from those who are able to give of their time, enthusiasm, relevant skills or of their fortune!

How can I find out more about Marbles Reunited?

Please visit the website at www.marblesreunited.org.uk