Join the Board of Trustees

Help shape the future of Iyengar Yoga London

Iyengar Yoga Institute Maida Vale (IYIMV), operating as Iyengar Yoga London, is widely recognised as one of the world's most established centres for the study and practice of Iyengar yoga.

Established in 1984, Iyengar Yoga London is a membership-based charitable company limited by guarantee. It promotes the study and practice of Iyengar yoga for the public benefit. The Institute is governed by a Board of Trustees, who also serve as the company's directors.

We are seeking committed individuals from a wide range of professional and personal backgrounds to join our Board and help guide continued development and long-term success.

You do not need previous Board experience to apply. We welcome people who bring sound judgement, relevant expertise, independent thinking and a commitment to Iyengar Yoga London's charitable purpose.

Skills and experience we are particularly interested in

We would particularly welcome applicants with experience in one or more of the following areas:

- Finance, accounting or audit
- Governance, law or regulatory compliance
- Human resources and employment
- Sales and marketing
- Digital strategy and technology
- Public relations and communications
- Income generation and business development

What you would contribute

As a Trustee, you would work collectively with fellow Trustees to provide strategic direction, oversee Iyengar Yoga London's activities and finances, manage risk, support effective engagement with members and the wider community, and ensure that it fulfils its charitable purpose.

We are looking for people who can:

- Exercise sound judgement when considering complex financial, governance and risk issues, including potential conflicts of interest.
- Bring relevant professional expertise and engage confidently with a range of stakeholders.
- Communicate clearly, listen carefully and work constructively with others.

- Commit the time and attention required to fulfil the responsibilities of a Trustee.
- Think independently, ask challenging questions and contribute to balanced, evidence-based decisions.

For finance and audit-related appointments, substantial financial expertise is particularly desirable. This might include experience as a finance director, CFO, qualified accountant, CEO or experienced Board member.

Time commitment and support

Trustees are expected to attend five Board meetings each year, including a two-day strategic planning meeting, as well as shorter online meetings as required. Each Trustee is also expected to participate in at least one Committee.

The anticipated time commitment is approximately 35 days per year for Board responsibilities, with a further 10 days for Committee work. This includes the time needed to prepare for meetings and undertake related responsibilities.

An induction programme is provided. Trustees are also encouraged to participate in the Institute's classes and events and to develop their understanding of its work and community.

Appointment and term

Trustees are appointed for an initial term of three years in accordance with the Iyengar Yoga London's Articles of Association. The Board conducts a formal review of each new Trustee's contribution after the first 12 months, including their engagement, participation and support needs. The review helps ensure that Trustees are equipped to fulfil their responsibilities effectively.

Trustee appointment and tenure arrangements are currently under review by the Board. Any future changes will be subject to the Iyengar Yoga London's governing documents and the appropriate approval process.

How to apply

If you are interested in contributing your skills and experience to the future of Iyengar Yoga London, please send an up-to-date CV and a supporting statement explaining your suitability for the role to:

boardsecretary@iyengaryogalondon.co.uk

We welcome applications from people with different backgrounds and perspectives who share a commitment to the Iyengar Yoga London's charitable purpose and long-term success.