



Mrs Diana E Brooks MBE DL

Diana married her husband Richard in 1985 and has three grown-up children.

After leaving school, Diana worked at the advertising agency JWT for 7 years, and then went on to work at the Royal Academy of Arts for 9 years as the Members Events Manager.

In 1988 Diana founded the charity art exhibition 'Art for Youth' to raise money for the charity "UK Youth", whilst also giving young artists a platform to showcase their work. Held every year for one week at the Mall Galleries in London, it is UK Youth's largest fundraising event. The £1.8 million pounds raised so far has enabled the continued support for 700,000 vulnerable young people across the country.



Diana is the Owner and Founder of the award-winning "Wistow Maze" situated just south of Leicester. Set up in 2004, it was voted Leicestershire's 'Best Visitor Attraction' and has won numerous awards. Each year the giant 8-acre maize maze with its 3 miles of pathways is redesigned, using GPS satellite technology.

'Music in the Park' is an annual charity concert Diana has helped organize for 20 years. It takes place within the grounds of Wistow Hall and raises money for LOROS and other local charities.

In 2019 she was awarded an MBE in the Queen's New Year Honours 'For services to Charity and to Young People'

In 2021 Diana was appointed a Deputy Lieutenant of Leicestershire.

She is a regular visitor to art galleries and the theatre, is a keen tennis and golf player and thoroughly enjoys watching all sports.