



EMERITUS PROFESSOR JAN MCDONALD, FRSE, FR SAMD

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Jan McDonald was the James Arnott Professor of Drama at the University of Glasgow from 1979 till her retirement in 2005. She currently serves as Dean of Faculties. Her principal research publications are on Victorian and Edwardian theatre history.

During her period of office at the University, she served on the University Court, and was for many years a Governor of the Royal Scottish Academy of Music and Drama, (the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland), Chair of the Board of Citizens' Theatre, Glasgow, and a member of the Arts and Humanities Research Board. She also chaired the Drama Committee of the Scottish Arts Council from 1985-8. She was Vice-President (Arts and Humanities) of the Royal Society of Edinburgh from 2005-2008, and currently chairs the Society's major public engagement project, 'RSE@', which delivers a programme of talks, workshops, and other events to schools, colleges and the wider audiences in regions of Scotland outside the Central Belt. She is also actively involved in charitable work.

Professor McDonald was awarded the Arts Medal of the Royal Philosophical Society in 2010.