

Born in Gloucester, UK, **Aonghus Gordon** spent his formative years in Venice. After travelling extensively, whilst studying History of Art, he established the arts and crafts centre at Ruskin Mill in 1982. This initiative engaged excluded youth at risk who required specialist education. Ruskin Mill Trust now manages six centres and braids with the inspiration of John Ruskin, William Morris and Rudolf Steiner. Further centres are opening in Birmingham's Jewellery Quarter and Sacramento, California in 2015.

In 2005 Ernst & Young awarded Aonghus 'Social Entrepreneur of the Year'. Aonghus lectures widely, both nationally and internationally.