

DULWICH PICTURE GALLERY

Volunteer Role Description: Family and Youth Programme

We are looking for creative workshop volunteers to support Dulwich Picture Gallery's youth and family programmes. The family programme includes weekly drop in family workshops, half term courses and full day family festivals. Whilst the youth programme provides regular open access and targeted creative workshops and projects and skills based volunteer programmes.

At the core of all of these programmes is the Gallery's mission to welcome families and young people to our site, and help them to explore, and make personal connections with art. Our family programme strives to welcome intergenerational groups to the Gallery, typically with children aged 4-12 years old. All of our programmes are designed to encourage these groups to have shared experiences. Our youth programme forms part of our targeted engagement programme for young people aged 11-25. The programme aims to engage with our local young non visiting audiences, and supports young emerging creatives and young audiences with access needs.

Family and Youth Programme volunteers support our workshops by creating a comfortable environment for learning, engaging families and young people with creative activities, and assisting the workshop leader by preparing materials and the learning space.

If you are interested in working in a creative environment, as part of a learning team, and with visitors of a variety of ages, this role is for you!

What you can expect to do in the role:

- Welcome families and young people to the gallery
- Encourage and assist families and young people with taking part in practical workshops and creative training sessions
- Be friendly and welcoming and happy to have a chat with all participants
- Prepare and organise artmaking materials and refreshments during breaks
- Be an advocate for the gallery's family and youth programme
- Assist the workshop leader with the practicalities of setting up and tidying away a workshop.

You don't need to have volunteered with us before, and training will be provided.

We're looking for people:

- With an interest and enthusiasm for working with groups of a variety of ages
- Who like to think creatively about supporting people's unique needs
- Who have an interest in working with young people
- Who have good communication skills
- Who enjoy working with other people
- Who demonstrate respect and empathy towards different groups and individuals
- Who can commit to their volunteer shift

What you'll get:

- An opportunity to work alongside creative practitioners
- An understanding of how to engage intergenerational groups in art in a world-class painting collection
- The opportunity to meet new people and have fun
- Up to £10 per day travel expenses.

Commitment:

After initial training, we are looking for volunteers who are happy to commit to a minimum of one - two workshops a month across the family and youth programme. The majority of workshops will be at Dulwich Picture Gallery, and occasionally other locations in London.

Please note family and youth workshops usually take place on weekday evenings (5-7.30pm), at weekends, and during the school holidays.

Training:

A half-day training and induction will cover all necessary information relating to the role. The next upcoming session will take place at Dulwich Picture Gallery on the morning of Sunday 23 September 2018.

On-going training, support and supervision will be available from staff throughout your volunteering experience.

How to apply

If you are interested, please complete a Volunteer Registration form and send it to: Learning Team, Dulwich Picture Gallery, Gallery Road SE21 7AD or by email to volunteering@dulwichpicturegallery.org.uk

Shortlisted candidates will be invited to a short discussion about the role.

Requirements

Applicants must be willing to sign the DPG Volunteer Agreement and complete all training required for the role.