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A portfolio of fresh and exciting arts and heritage sector volunteering opportunities. – **Add to your CV, complement your degree, network and get involved with your local community.** Active Student helps University of Brighton students and staff to find and apply for **local, rewarding, safe and supported** volunteering opportunities that will **enhance your professional and personal development, and support your local community.** Brand new roles are added to this document on a regular basis so please keep checking back for updates!

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Brighton Photo Biennial Volunteer ♦ Photoworks

The organisation/project

Photoworks is presenting the month-long photography festival, Brighton Photo Biennial in October 2018. It will be curated by our new Director Shoair Mavlian, formerly curator of photography at Tate Modern. Photoworks is an organisation dedicated to supporting and promoting emerging contemporary practice across the UK and internationally.

The role

The festival will comprise a number of exhibitions spread across Brighton & Hove as well as a public programme of events. We are inviting volunteers to assist with the opening of, invigilation and audience experience of our exhibitions as well as support public events. In addition there may be opportunities for volunteers to assist the Communications team in regards to press, marketing and digital content.

Time commitment

You should be able to commit to three half day shifts during the festival period: 28 September-28 October 2018.

Training

Briefing and induction/training pack.

Location

Central Brighton.



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Costume Store Assistant Volunteer ♦ Gladrags

The organisation/project

Gladrags is a charity run mainly by volunteers. We are a unique, creative resource providing costumes (6000 + of them!) to schools & colleges, community/ youth groups; amateur & fringe arts. We resource their community, arts, educational and wellbeing projects, supporting and enriching their work.

The role

Volunteers can combine aspects of this role to suit their interest and experience; they may want to combine with some of our other volunteer roles (workshop assistant; event worker; research worker); they may prefer to focus on just one aspect of this role. They can work in the store, from home, or combine the two.

- COSTUME HIRE
- COSTUME MAKING
- COSTUME CARE
- CATEGORISING/INVENTORY.

Time commitment

We are open Tuesday and Wednesday from 10am-3pm and Thursday from 10am-6pm, Saturdays 10am-1pm by arrangement only. It is of importance to us that volunteers are reliable and commit to agreed times. We ask for 4-6 hours weekly or fortnightly (3 hours as a minimum). Minimum 3 months, ideally longer.

Training

Support given to ensure the volunteer can carry out the task effectively. Access to general voluntary sector training that may be relevant to this role and according to a volunteer's existing skill level, confidence, and learning needs. Sewing skills training at all levels is offered to all volunteers

Location

Moulsecoomb, Brighton.



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Mural Art Design and Painting Volunteer ♦ Ronald McDonald House Charities

The organisation/project

Ronald McDonald House Brighton works alongside the Royal Alexander Children's Hospital and the Trevor Mann Baby Unit, looking after the families of very sick children in hospital. We provide a free 'Home from Home' while there child is receiving care from the hospital, with all the facilities of a home with the added benefit of friendly supportive staff who are on hand to assist families at any time.

The role

Here at Ronald McDonald House Brighton we have a wonderful, comfortable, homely place to offer families with sick children. We are looking for either an individual, or a small group (maximum of 4) to design and paint a mural for our laundry room in our accommodation within the Royal Alexander Children's Hospital. Although there will be free reign with the design, we would like the theme of it to be based on a washing line, and our logo must be incorporated into it somehow.

Time commitment

The House is open for volunteers 7am-9pm. Ideally, the mural would be painted in one (8 hour) day as the last one was done, but understandably there is time needed for the design to be made in advance.

Training

Induction to the organisation.

Location

Kemptown, Brighton.



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Kids Class Assistant Volunteer ♦ Sew Fabulous

The organisation/project

Sew Fabulous is a sewing studio located in Brighton Open Market. We run classes for adults, teens and kids. We run funded classes for local low waged/unemployed adults. We have a repairs, alterations and sewing service.

The role

Prepare resources for the class (with guidance from teacher).
Assist in the delivery of the class: 1.5 hours on a Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday - 4-5.30pm.
Tidy up and debrief.
Update social media with photos from class.

Time commitment

3 months (1 school term) for 2.5-3 hours per week.

Training

Induction training – 2 hours.

Location

London Road, Brighton.



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Social Media, Promotion and Admin Volunteer ♦ Sew Fabulous

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Sew Fabulous is a sewing studio located in Brighton Open Market. We run classes for adults, teens and kids. We run funded classes for local low waged/unemployed adults. We have a repairs, alterations and sewing service.

The role

Help Sew Fabulous with the promotion of classes.
Design and manage some social media content.
Some basic admin in the studio.

Time commitment

This role requires a minimum time commitment of 2.5-3 hours a week for 1 school term/3months. As with many organisations, volunteers are welcome to undertake more time if they wish to.

Training

Induction training – 1-2 hours prior to the role starting.

Location

London Road, Brighton.



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Creative Artistic Mural Volunteer ♦ Sussex Beacon

The organisation/project

We are a charity called the Sussex Beacon which is an HIV treatment centre supporting people living with HIV.

The role

The volunteers will be working closely with the shop managers to help design and paint a mural on the wall outside St James Street store and some items at our home store on London road – both visible and central locations in Brighton. The idea we have so far for St James Street is our logo and some Victorian writing linked to fashion and clothing.

Time commitment

The time frame would be around 4 weeks but if students wanted to stay on as a store volunteer they would be welcome to. Completely flexible volunteering hours – although our shops are open from 9.30am to 5.00pm. Applicants need to be committed to the project – start to completion.

Training

Training includes inductions in both shops, health and safety guidelines and we offer training on HIV awareness.

Location

Kempton, Brighton.



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Gallery and Volunteer Co-ordination Placement ♦ Fabrica

The organisation/project

Fabrica is a visual arts organisation based in a former Regency church in the heart of Brighton, which commissions contemporary visual art installations specific to the building.

The role

Duties with the Office Manager and Gallery Manager include:

- Welcome visitors and deal with enquiries in person, by phone and email.
- Help with general administration in the office such as research, archiving, data collation and updating information on database. Lead and take staff meeting minutes.
- Delivery of Front of House to make Fabrica as welcoming, safe and accessible as possible for visitors.
- Promote the volunteer programme to various education and community groups.
- Arrange a student focused event for each exhibition.
- Work to keep Fabrica and the volunteer programme accessible
- Develop and maintain marketing streams
- Document the volunteer programme and each exhibition for marketing
- Assist with volunteer recruitment and engagement events
- Attend Front of House staff meetings

Time commitment

Is a 12-month placement, running November 2018 - November 2019.

Application deadline: 5pm on Sunday 14th October 2018.

Interviews will take place during the week commencing 22nd November 2018.

Training

During your placement you'll understand Fabrica's mission as an organisation and gain in-depth experience in Front of House management and how to run our volunteer programme.

Location

Central Brighton.



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Museum Assistant ♦ Brighton Toy and Model Museum

The organisation/project

Step into a world of toys and models that extends over four thousand square feet of floor space, under four of the early Victorian arches which support Brighton Railway Station. Founded in 1991, the museum has over ten thousand toys and models in its archive. We have toys from as early as the mid-18th century, however, most of our exhibits focus on the golden age of toy making during the first half of the Twentieth Century. The displays have toys of all types including priceless model train collections and many period, antique toys from Great Britain and all over Europe and the USA.

The role

Your role is to greet visitors and answer their questions about the museum and the city – we are also a Visit Brighton information point. You will be responsible for admissions, shop sales, general appearance of museum – which includes cleaning of all areas.

Time commitment

Flexible - days/times to be mutually agreed.

Training

Training and induction provided to all new volunteers before starting.

Location

Central Brighton.



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Engagement Officer – Creative, Media & Communications Volunteer ♦ Sport Brighton

The organisation/project

Parklife, Sport Brighton's social & recreational sport brand, allows University of Brighton students and staff a variety of flexible and affordable participation and workforce opportunities for a complete university experience.

The role

If you have a creative passion for photography or design, a love for all things social media, or fancy yourself a descriptive genius in journalism or blogging then these roles can be suited to your individual skill-set providing you the perfect voluntary outlet to build your experience and portfolio. Join the ever-growing fun and social Parklife team, apply your passion and make the most of your University experience.

Time commitment

We encourage officers to commit to their role for one whole academic year however this is flexible. Term-time only; flexible 1-4 hours per week.

Training

Parklife programme induction is provided.

Location

Based on campus at the University of Brighton.



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Story Mentor Volunteer ♦ Little Green Pig Writing Project

The organisation/project

We are a writing and mentoring charity for young people in Sussex. We believe in the right to write, and that this vital form of self-expression builds confidence, communication and literacy skills.

The role

Story mentors do a very important job at Little Green Pig, supporting young people in our workshops to get inspired by writing and get their words on the page. Not only that, you'll be helping build their confidence and communication skills. Workshops are usually two hours long with 30 minute briefing and debrief sessions before and after.

Time commitment

Ideally 3-4 hours per week for 6 months, committing to regular weekly shifts. A minimum of 4 shifts in one 6 month period.

Training

Volunteers are required to attend a short info session in which they will meet some of the LGP team and learn about the role, and then a longer (2.5 hour) training session. These are held every couple of months.

Location

Across Brighton and Hove.



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Image: University of Brighton arts volunteers and their painted wall mural at Ronald McDonald House Charity, Brighton in 2017