

## Learning Activity Volunteer

Department Name: Education

Volunteer Supervisor: Education Officer

### Why join us?

The Shakespeare Birthplace Trust is an independent charity which cares for the world's greatest Shakespeare heritage sites in Stratford upon Avon, and promotes the enjoyment and understanding of his works, life and times all over the world. Celebrating Shakespeare is at the heart of everything we do. Our volunteer team help us achieve these goals, so join us and help create a wonderful experience for our global audiences.

### What will you be up to?

- To help in the set up and tidying up of the high quality informal learning activities across our SBT sites.
- With an interactive approach to delivery, to engage visitors with the activities on offer.
- To share information with visitors about the Trust's collections, such as current and future exhibitions and activities.
- To provide visitors with information on other SBT sites, events, current and forthcoming.
- To set up informal learning spaces and to clear and pack away at the end of each session.
- To share responsibility for keeping cupboards and storage areas tidy.
- To lead small group work.
- To encourage visitors to fill in the feedback questionnaire.
- To aid in the evacuation of the site if required.

### Do you have the skills we are looking for?

- Experience of, or an interest in, working with children.
- A desire to bring Shakespeare and New Place to life for visitors.
- Good people skills with the ability to talk confidently to both individuals & groups from different age groups, varying backgrounds and with a range of needs. If you can do this in a second language, even better!
- Enthusiasm for delivering craft-based or practical learning activities.
- Willingness to learn and share with visitors the points of interest at New Place.
- Willingness to undergo training in facilitation, working with families, customer service, access issues and health and safety as appropriate.
- Ability to ensure health and safety guidelines are followed and be responsible for your own health and safety.
- You may be asked to undertake a DBS check as part of this role.

### How often would we like you to volunteer?

A regular commitment if possible of either one full day each weekend or one day a week during school holidays.

### Length of the volunteering role?

Ongoing

## Good to know

- Volunteers to wear own smart clothing in branded colours (red, black, white or grey).
- Volunteer badges will be provided.
- Smoking is not allowed on site.
- Food is not allowed on site.
- Training will be provided as necessary.

## Benefits of joining us

- On completion of 20 hours volunteering for the Trust, all volunteers receive a volunteer card giving free entry to SBT properties and a range of discounts.
- Annual service award each February for volunteers who have achieved 200 hours or more of volunteering in the previous year.
- Volunteer celebration days and coffee morning chats will be programmed throughout the year.
- We can provide references.
- We can provide reimbursement of travel expenses only. Maximum of £10 per day.
- You can be involved in our Volunteer Forum; Volunteer Voices.



*Have any questions...*

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