

Volunteer Historic Costumier

Property Name: Anne Hathaway's Cottage

Volunteer Supervisor: House Steward

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?

- Research, design and make historical costumes
- Working as part of a small dedicated team, you will engage our visitors with the broad history of Anne Hathaway's Cottage.
- Maximise opportunities to engage visitors with the history of the cottage and the works, life and times of Shakespeare
- Working as part of the Operations Team you will ensure every visitor has an engaging and enjoyable visit.

Do you have the skills we are looking for?

- An interest in the works, life and time of Shakespeare.
- Good sewing skills, with the ability to design and create costumes from a broad period in history.
- Access to a sewing machine and the ability to work with different types of supplied materials.
- Enthusiasm for developing your own skills, knowledge and experience in the heritage/museum sector.
- Enthusiasm for the works of Shakespeare and his works, life and times.
- Ability to work as part of a small team.

How often would we like you to volunteer?

A commitment to work to deadlines for events would assist us in planning.

Length of the volunteering role?

Ongoing with seasonal fluctuations.

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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