

Support Worker Role Profile

WATERMANS SUMMER PROGRAMME: SHORT BREAKS GOOD VIBRATIONS

Watermans is a multi-disciplinary arts venue currently situated on the banks of the river Thames at Brentford. We offer an exciting programme of New Media, Participative Arts, Cinema and Children's events. We are looking for a dynamic individual to support children and young people attending the Short Breaks programme this summer.

Support Worker, working with disabled young people

Hourly rate: £12 per hour

Role Profile

- Actively support disabled young people to access workshops and drop-in activity during Watermans summer programme
- Offer appropriate support to ensure that participants have a positive, safe experience
- Be proactive in finding ways to limit disabling factors to enable young people to have a fulfilling, creative and safe experience
- Ensure the Policy for the Protection of Children & Young People is adhered to at all times
- Offer support, coaching and active listening
- Liaise effectively with parents-carers, artist/workshop leaders & Watermans' team

Key responsibilities:

- To provide support and assistance to all young people throughout the sessions
- To provide support and assistance to all young people during break times & lunch breaks
- To offer creative activities in break times (especially engagement in drop-in activities)
- To support the artist/workshop leader to ensure that each young person is signed in and out effectively
- To promote an environment that supports equal opportunities, creativity, safety and fun
- To be an advocate for disabled children and their families
- To ensure young people are able to fully participate in drop-in activities
- To provide activities and support at break times, lunch time & at the end of the day
- To ensure that all registers are complete and young person is collected by designated adult
- To write clear, simple daily reports of participation in the programme

Person specification: Essential

Knowledge of child protection and health and safety policies
Current DBS check
Demonstrable experience of pastoral care
Experience of working with young people with disabilities
Experience of working with young people from a range of backgrounds; in mixed ability groups
Ability to follow Watermans' policies and procedures with attention to detail
Punctual, committed and willing to take initiative

Schedule information

10am - 5pm Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 30 July – 15 August 2019

Plus 3 hours preparation & briefing with Head of Participative Arts: Wednesday 24 July 2019

10 – 10.30	Set up drop-in activities and registration
10.30 – 11.30	Support workshop (or prep activity)
11.30 -11.45	Supervise young people's break
11.45 -13.00	Support workshop (or prep lunch activity)
13.00 – 14.00	Supervise young people's break
14.00 – 15.00	Support workshop (or prep activity)
15.00 – 15.15	Supervise young people's break
15.15 - 16.15	Support workshop (or prep activity)
16.15 - 16.30	Supervise young people's signing out
16.30 - 17.00	Pack away and write up day report

2 x 30 min breaks taken during workshop delivery time

Line management:

Responsible to: Head of Participative Arts Development

Responsible for: no line management responsibilities

To apply:

Please send CV, with contact details of two referees and a covering statement that explains why you want this role and your suitability for the role to: recruitment@watermans.org.uk

If you would like an informal chat about the role before applying, please email vikki@watermans.org.uk to arrange.