

Recruitment Pack for

Museum & Gallery Assistant



Hours: 16 hours per week

Location: St Mary's Mill

Closing Date: 18th February 2024 (interviews w/c 26th

February)

Job Ref No: 0791

Salary: Grade 4 £12.31 - £13.29

(£23,750 - £25,647)

This pack includes details about our organisation to assist you with your application:

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More information can be found on our website www.liveborders.org.uk

The selection process can include different forms of assessment along with a formal interview. You will be advised of this if your application is successful.

If you have a disability and need assistance in completing your application form, please contact our People team recruitment@liveborders.org.uk to discuss your needs or request a call back.

We look forward to receiving your completed application.





Job Advert

Museums and Galleries Assistant. 16 hours per week. Our Museums & Galleries Assistants play a hands-on role in the development and delivery of exhibitions & activities, digital engagement, enquiries and collection development work at our sites across the Scottish Borders. This is an exciting opportunity to join our busy team working in the Selkirk/Galashiels/Peebles areas. Ideally you will have prior experience in a museum or heritage environment or will be a selfemployed artist/maker with a creative track record. You will be customer focussed, with a friendly and approachable demeanour. You must hold a driver's license, be happy to carry out manual handling tasks and strong IT skills are essential.





Introduction to Live Borders

Live Borders is the sport, leisure and culture trust for the Scottish Borders - this means we are a charity. Our aim is for everyone living, working and visiting the Borders to be healthier, happier and stronger.

Live Borders is governed and led by a Board of Trustees who set the strategic direction and monitors performance of the organisation.

Our Strategic Vision

Vision: Everyone living in, working in, and visiting the Borders to be

healthier, happier and stronger.

Mission: We use our energy, enthusiasm and knowledge to support more

people to experience more, learn more, and move more.

Strategic Goals:

Expand levels of participation

- Grow our earned income
- Develop new funding streams
- Build on our reputation for great customer service
- Create a sustainable charity
- Nurture our people to be proud of what they do

Our Values

At the heart of Live Borders is our commitment to improve lives through physical activity, sport and culture. We use our energy, enthusiasm and knowledge to support people to experience more, learn more and move more.

Our Values underpin all that we do: Live Borders Values

Every penny spent with us is reinvested into supporting active, creative and healthy communities.

The executive team led by the CEO provide the strategic lead on the management and development of Live Borders to ensure we are a sustainable, dynamic and flexible organisation fit for the future and that meets our stated outcomes.





JOB DESCRIPTION AND PERSON SPECIFICATION

| Post Title: | Museums and Galleries Assistant |
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| Directorate: | Managed Services - Museums, Galleries and Archives |
| Reporting to: | Assistant Curator |

Job Purpose:

To assist the Curator and Assistant Curator with the delivery of the annual programme of exhibitions, projects and events and in the day-to-day running of the museums and galleries in a specific geographical area.

Responsibilities:

- Assisting with all aspects of exhibitions and displays, including installation and de-installation, research and the interpretation and presentation of cultural and historical themes as required.
- Assisting with the delivery of projects, education work and events, including 2. occasional evening and weekends, to enhance the annual exhibition programme on offer.
- 3 Responsible for key holding, opening and closing of buildings and setting alarms to ensure proper security of building and contents.
- Assisting with all aspects of collections work, including documentation, maintenance of databases, storage and environmental control, in order to contribute to the museums' collections management programme to help achieve required standards and Museum Accreditation.
- Assisting in answering enquiries from members of the public to contribute 5. to the museums' enquiry service.
- Undertaking administrative duties, such as typing, photocopying, stocktaking and mail shots to help ensure programmed work timescales are adhered too.
- Assisting with the preparation of advertising material, social media and press releases to ensure all exhibitions and events are publicised to potential customers.
- Driving the museum van or hired vehicles to transfer exhibitions and 8. collections between sites.
- Build and maintain good working relationships with colleagues within the 9. organisation
- Be aware of practices in other Trusts and within the industry and adopt 10. best working practices wherever relevant, recommending and presenting business cases
 - 11. Ensure that services are delivered with a customer focused ethos
 - 12. Comply with all Live Borders policies and procedures.
 - 13. Promote equal opportunities in service delivery
- 14. As an employee you must take reasonable care for the health and safety of yourself, other employees and anyone else who may be affected by your work activities carried out. Employees shall work in accordance with policies, procedures, information, instructions and / or training received

This job description is indicative of the nature and level of responsibility associated with the job. It is not exhaustive and there may be a requirement to undertake such other duties as may be required to meet the needs of the Service or Live Borders

Other details

Travel between sites and to other locations - yes Requirement to work out of hours or weekends – yes





Requirement for PVG/Disclosure check - no

Person Specification

| EDUCATION | | | |
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| Essential | | Desirable | Key |
| A good standard of education: at least 3 highers grades at C or equivalent including English | | Full driving license | A/I |
| EXPERIENCE | | | |
| Essential | Key | Desirable | Key |
| Experience of working in a museum, cultural or heritage environment for at least a year | | | |
| SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE | | • | • |
| Essential | | Desirable | Key |
| Essential Confident communication skills face to face and in writing including the ability to write interpretation texts, give talks and presentations or deliver education activities to diverse audiences | | Knowledge of and/ or proven interest in a historical, social-historical, cultural or arts area that is relevant to the collections within area grouping of museums – with the ability to communicate this | A/ I |
| Demonstrate the ability to work as part of a team | | | |
| Good organisational skills | A/ I | | |
| Computer literate with a good knowledge of basic programmes | A/ I | | |
| PERSONAL ATTRIBUTES | | | |
| Essential | | Desirable | Key |
| Ability to contribute to the development of the service | | Able to think conceptually and contribute to strategic development as required | Int |
| Ability to work alone and as part of a team collaborating and sharing knowledge and information with others | Ref | | |
| Attention to detail and ability to apply quality standards | Int Ref | | |
| Strong customer service orientation | | | |
| Pleasant and polite manner | | | |
| Flexible and adaptable | Ref | | |

App – Application; Int – Interview; Ref – Reference; Test - Test

SUMMARY OF CONDITIONS OF SERVICE

Location: St Mary's Mill, Selkirk (colleagues may be required to work at any Live

Borders site during their career with us).

Hours of Work: 16 hours per week worked as agreed with line manager

Payment Method: Paid monthly on the last banking day of each month.

Annual Leave: Up to 2 years' service = 30 days (pro-rata for part time)

Increases by an extra day after completion of two years' service by commencement of the leave year. An additional day accrued for each completed year of service up to max

of 5 additional days.

Public Holidays: 4 designated public holidays per year (pro-rata for part time)

Notice Period: 4 weeks, as detailed in any offer of employment

Pension: Option to join Group Personal Pension; employee

contribution from 5% with the option to join the Local Government Pension Scheme after 5 years' service.

Equal Opportunities:

Live Borders is an Equal Opportunities Employer and considers

applicants on their suitability for the post regardless of sex, race,

religion, disability or sexual orientation.

Sickness Allowance: Employees with less than 6 months' service get Statutory

Sick Pay (SSP) only. Occupational Sick Pay is available to employees with more than 6 months' service (when the

sickness

commences) and starts from 5 weeks' full pay/ 5 weeks half pay and increases to a maximum of 26 weeks' full pay/ 26

weeks half pay after 5 years' service.

Presentation: Live Borders has strict standards of presentation; which

staff are required to comply with. Uniforms are provided for the majority of posts where provided these must be kept clean and well presented. Where a uniform is not

provided appropriate business dress is expected.

Other Benefits: Free access to all our sports facilities

Cycle To Work Scheme

Access to ASVA

Healthy Extras – includes retail discounts and access to health and

wellbeing services

Please note that this is a summary of Live Borders conditions of service. If you are successful at interview and are offered employment, the specific conditions that apply to you will be detailed in your contract.

INFORMATION FOR ALL JOB APPLICANTS

Evidence of Right to Work in the United Kingdom

As a result of the Asylum and Immigration Act 1996, Live Borders requires every employee to provide evidence of eligibility to work in the UK. This will be required from the successful candidate prior to the appointment being made. Please do not send documentation at this stage. There are a number of specified documents which you could provide, some of which are list below. Only one is required:

- 1. A passport describing the holder as a British Citizen
- A passport containing a Certificate of Entitlement issued by, or on behalf of the Government of the United Kingdom, certifying that the holder has the right of abode in the UK.
- 3. A passport or national identity card issued by a State which is a party to the European Area Agreement and which described the hold as a national of that state.
- 4. A registration card which indicates that the holder is entitled to take employment in the UK
- 5. A birth certificate issued in the United Kingdom or in the Republic of Ireland, with documentary evidence of their National Insurance Number.
- 6. A certificate of registration or naturalisation as a British citizen, with documentary evidence of the National Insurance Number.

Disclosure Scotland

The successful candidate will be subject to a Protecting Vulnerable Group registration to become a member of the Disclosure Scotland PVG Scheme, if this a requirement of the post. The cost of this registration will be met by Live Borders.

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Please contact our People Team on recruitment@liveborders.org.uk if you require any other information about working for Live Borders.