

Volunteer Project 71, Volunteer Tour Guide

Role	Volunteer Tour Guide
Purpose	> Provide a welcoming environment and rewarding learning experience to museum visitors through guided tours.
	> Help visitors find their way around the Museum by giving short introductions and/or tours.
	> Help visitors gain a deeper level of understanding about the themes and issues discussed in the Museum's galleries.
	> To offer volunteers a unique opportunity to play a key role while gaining experience working with a national museum collection of historic importance.
Responsible to	Head of Learning and Public Programmes
Times/Dates	Monthly meeting and on request (see other key information, below).
Location	National Army Museum, Chelsea, London.
Tasks	> Deliver a 45-minute highlight tour to the Museum's visitors.
	> Opportunity to learn and deliver other themed tours around the Museum.
	> Opportunity to research a relevant topic of interest and contribute to the development of future tours.
	> Provide extra information about the Museum's collections and activities to visitors.
	> Keeping informed about operational changes,

programme changes and changes in museum exhibits.
> Assisting, on occasion, with evening special event programmes.
> In the event that a tour fails to show up, guides may provide support to visitors who may be interested in learning more about the Museum and collections.
Would suit someone who:
> Is friendly and approachable.
> Has a good standard of spoken English.
> Has good communication skills.
> Is willing to learn.
> Understands good customer service.
> Has an interest in and/or knowledge of British military history.
> Has research experience.
> Able to work both independently and as part of a team.
> Able to speak comfortably before groups of people, receiving and answering questions.
> Dealing skilfully with a variety of visitors under a variety of circumstances.
> Able to adapt skills and knowledge to suit different learning audiences.
> Recognizing and supporting the access needs of all visitors, making sure they have a comfortable experience.
 Full in-house training will be provided that is specific to the role, which will include volunteer and site induction; Health and Safety; Equality & Diversity; Visitor Experience, Communication, Object Handling; Basic Conservation; Material Identification; and specific Computer Applications, as required.

	> Expenses: reasonable out of pocket lunch and travel expenses to and from place of work.
	> Volunteers' Handbook with helpful information.
	> Regular feedback meetings with designated supervisor.
Other key information	> Hours/days of volunteering are flexible and will be discussed at interview.
Benefits	> Becoming part of a friendly and dedicated team.
	> Opportunity to contribute to developing the Museum's tours and learning programme.
	> Gain practical experience interacting with the Museum's diverse audiences.
	> Gain transferable skills to guide at alternative venues and sites.
	> Complimentary tickets to some Museum events and activities.
Interested?	> The opportunity is open to everyone aged 18 and over.
Closing Date	12pm (noon), Friday 7 September 2018
For an Application Form	http://www.nam.ac.uk/volunteer