



Octavia Foundation

Youth Work Volunteer

The Octavia Foundation works with people affected by unemployment, ill health, social isolation or low income to connect them with opportunities for positive personal change. Our vision is to build stronger, happier and healthier communities in central and west London to help create an enriched life where we live.

We believe that every young person should have a place they can go to feel safe, included and inspired. We provide a comprehensive programme of activities that meet the needs of local children and young people. As a youth work volunteer, you would be contributing towards this vision.

Reasons to volunteer

Would you like to inspire and support young people, by exploring digital media? Would you love to help young people feel valued, included and gain in confidence? We also offer the opportunity to:

- Learn new skills, especially in digital media software and equipment.
- Be part of exciting creative projects and activities.
- Gain strong experience with a diverse cohort of young people.
- Opportunities to attend training courses to develop your expertise in youth work and digital media.

What would I be doing?

- Assisting in delivery of creative and digital media based youth work sessions.
- Assisting with set up and breakdown of session equipment and resources.
- Assist in idea generation and planning of creative and digital media based youth work sessions.

What skills are we looking for?

- Passionate about working with young people and providing opportunities for their development.
- Passionate about a creative area (e.g. Filmmaking/photography/music production/web design).
- Willingness to strictly follow safeguarding policies and best practice in work with young people.
- We ask a minimum commitment of volunteering for 4 hours per week, for 3 months.

Full induction and training is provided, including: safeguarding, confidentiality, health and safety.

How do I sign up?

Complete our application form here: https://www.octaviafoundation.org.uk/volunteer/apply_now. We will then arrange for you to meet our Youth staff for a chat, as an opportunity for us to get to know you better. We would request 2 references and carry out Enhanced Disclosure checks on all volunteers, but this would only happen if we both agree that Youth Work is the right fit for you.

We are committed to equality and diversity and welcome applications from all sections of the community. Please contact us should you prefer to apply over the phone or via hard copy, for accessibility reasons.

All travel costs reimbursed on the provision of receipts*

*Speak to the Youth Work Programme Manager for more information