



- Role:** Playworkers - Engagement Assistants (Volunteers)
- Where:** Herbert Art Gallery and Museum, Coventry
- When:** Thursdays and Saturdays during the exhibition period, 29 June – 15 Sept. 2019
- Time:** 11:00am - 3:30pm (half-day and full-day slots available, we can be flexible)
- Training day:** Wednesday 26 June (Time/location TBC, encouraged to attend)

Role Outline

We are looking for multiple volunteers to support the Learning and Exhibitions Teams with the delivery of the summer exhibition 'Wonder'. In this group exhibition for all ages, many of the artworks and installations involve play, activation and interaction, from a sensory 'Light Pavilion' installation (Julia Snowdin) to an Augmented Reality artwork on tablet devices (Edie Jo Murray). Playworkers will encourage audiences to safely **access and engage** with the artworks and the Herbert's collection, and support interaction between children and their adults through family play. Also, to **"wonder" and reflect** on their experiences, documented through an online survey.

Background Information

For more information on 'Wonder', the exhibition and artists involved, see the What's On guide on the Herbert website here: <https://tinyurl.com/y5m9e2to> #WonderCOV

The Herbert Art Gallery and Museum is an award-winning museum, and was named Britain's most family friendly museum in 2010 by Kids In Museum and was shortlisted again in 2017. Our permanent galleries and temporary exhibitions feature lots of exciting interactives and child friendly content, guaranteeing that our family audiences have a fun and memorable experience during their visit.

Main Duties & Activities

- Greeting and introducing members of the public to the exhibition, artists and works
- Encouraging engagement, play and interaction with artworks and the collection (as marked)
- Supporting the team in the delivery of associated workshops and play sessions
- Assisting the team with the set up and tidy up of activities
- Encouraging audiences to complete the associated online survey



Skills, knowledge and qualities

- Polite, approachable, enthusiastic and playful
- Good communicator and listener
- Sense of imagination and wonder
- Team player, prepared to join in and get involved with audiences of all ages

Benefits and training

In this support role you will have the opportunity to:

- Become a key part of the team of staff and volunteers in an award-winning museum
- Gain experience of volunteering in a stimulating environment
- Meet interesting people and gain new skills and knowledge
- Work directly with audiences of all ages
- Develop your CV
- Reference for future employment
- And most importantly, have fun!

[Note, all playworkers are encouraged to attend a one-day training event on 26 June. If you cannot attend, there will be other opportunities for training during the exhibition period. Also, all playworkers will be given a limited-edition artists' pack of merchandise associated with the exhibition.]

If you would like to be considered for this unique volunteering opportunity, please contact Rupert Hedley:

By post:

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If you have any queries relating to the role or volunteering please call Rupert on:

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