

CURATORIAL RESEARCH ASSISTANT

Volunteer placement

Through its permanent and temporary exhibitions, the Design Museum displays contemporary design across a range of disciplines – architecture, transport, fashion, graphic and product design. Re-located in November 2016 to Kensington High Street, the museum's mission is to help people understand the value of design.

What will the role involve?

The Curatorial Research Assistant will support the curatorial team in the research and development of content, images and text for the forthcoming exhibition on the filmmaker Stanley Kubrick. The exhibition contains over 400 objects ranging from film props, scripts and costumes to poster and set designs, to be loaned from private individuals, public institutions as well as from the Stanley Kubrick Film Archive in London.

<https://designmuseum.org/exhibitions/future-exhibitions/stanley-kubrick-the-exhibition>

Tasks will include:

- Researching material, related to the themes and content of the exhibition
- Researching and contacting potential external sources of photographic material
- Compiling and maintaining a clear record of findings
- Reporting research findings to the curatorial team
- Organising and archiving images in a clear and consistent fashion
- Assisting with the administration of additional loans
- Supporting the development and editing of interpretation panels
- Supporting the project team with elements of the installation of the exhibition.

The placement

This is a fixed-term placement volunteering for three months starting early February 2019, with an option of working 1 or 2 days a week.

Skills and experience

The museum is looking for someone with:

- An interest in curating exhibitions
- Good understanding and knowledge of contemporary design or an interest in film.
- Excellent research skills
- Competence using Microsoft Word, Excel and Outlook

The Design Museum offers volunteers:

- A supportive, stimulating and dynamic environment to volunteer in
- Free access to the museum
- Reimbursement of out-of-pocket travel expenses up to £12 per day
- Discounts in the Design Museum Shop
- Free tickets, when available to museum events/talks
- Advice about next steps (where possible) and references

To apply

Please contact volunteer@designmuseum.org enclosing your current CV and a short statement (maximum one side of A4) demonstrating why you feel you are suited to this role and outlining your availability.

This is a selective role and interviews will take place on 24 and 25 January 2019.

The closing date for applications is **Sunday 20 January**.