

Volunteer Role Description

Museum Collections Volunteer



Purpose of the role:

By joining our curatorial team you will assist with the cataloguing of the collection of the ss Great Britain Trust.

Main activities:

There are lots of different opportunities and experiences to be gained from this role. You could be involved with:

- Cataloguing the Collection
- Learning about and implementing the Trust's policies on the care of the Collection
- Learn and use museum based skills including delicate object handling
- Learning about and then using curatorial computer software
- Carry out scanning of historical documentation
- Assist with the accurate recording of the Collection through inputting data into the Trust's database
- To consult with the curatorial team about the Collection and required data
- Learn about the wider work and activities of the Trust
- From time to time, there may be other curatorial tasks and projects that arise that you could assist with, such as research or transcribing opportunities.

What the ss Great Britain can offer:

- The chance to learn the fascinating history of the ship and the work and life of Isambard Kingdom Brunel
- Hands on experience of working with the collections of the ss Great Britain Trust
- An insight in to how collections are managed



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- A social and training programme, with opportunities and events throughout the year
- Behind the scenes access to the collections

- The chance to make new friends and to be part of a vibrant team
- Excellent experience for your CV
- A reference when you have been volunteering with us regularly for over six months.

About you:

No prior experience is necessary, we will provide you will all of the training and information that you need. We are looking for people who:

- Are willing to undertake training related to the role
- Are friendly, approachable and confident in a busy environment
- Have an enthusiasm for working with our visitors of all ages and background
- Want to share their passion for history in an engaging and interactive way
- Are able to volunteer for a morning or afternoon session per week.

As a Museums Collection Volunteer you will be supervised by the Head of Curatorial & Library Services, Eleni Papavasileiou, and the Assistant Curator of Collections & Library.

Volunteers are an important part of the Charity and play a vital role in enhancing the work of the Trust. We are committed to providing volunteering opportunities of a high standard.

Ready to take the next step?

If you would like to join our crew or have any questions please get in touch by completing an enquiry form, available at <http://www.ssgreatbritain.org/support-us/volunteer>

You can contact our Volunteer Administrator by emailing Volunteering@ssgreatbritain.org or telephoning 0117 922 5737. We would love to hear from you.

Potential volunteers will be invited to a recruitment event to discuss the role further and to ensure it is the right role for you. This will give you the chance to learn more about the volunteer roles and to meet the team. These events take place monthly.