

Volunteer role description Sewing bee

What is a sewing bee volunteer?

The sewing bee team repair, maintain and catalogue our historic and replica costume collection which is invaluable to Fulham Palace's dynamic learning department. They also create new embroideries for the Palace.



<p>What's in it for you?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • use your sewing expertise to create new pieces for the Palace and learning team • the opportunity to care for and maintain a learning department's costume and sewing collection comprised of replica and historic pieces • a chance to develop in-depth knowledge of using and storing costumes for a museum learning department • experience of volunteering behind-the-scenes in a historic environment • chance to take ownership and be the lead on an important aspect of the learning department • to make use of your sewing skills and ability to work with different materials • to be involved with a positive and engaging volunteer culture including social events, outings, forums and our volunteer portal - where volunteers are able to contribute blogs posts; join in discussions with other volunteers, sign up to sessions and access all the information you need as a volunteer online • references for people who volunteer with us regularly for more than 6 months
<p>What's involved?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • sewing and repairing costumes • creating new embroideries and organising projects for the Palace • liaising with the learning producer the organisation and delivery of costume content for special events
<p>This role will suit people who...</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • are competent at sewing • have an interest in historic and replica costumes

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • are willing to undertake training related to the role • are well organised and able to take responsibility • have time to dedicate to this important role and are able to be flexible with other commitments • are able to commit to the role for a minimum of 6 months • are independent and able to use their own initiative
Availability	Last Wednesday of every month and then volunteering flexibly as and when needed for events
Main contact	Alex Rankin, learning producer
Training and resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • one-to-one tutoring delivered by our highly experienced current sewing bee team • full induction including health and safety procedures • regular opportunities to discuss your work directly with the learning and engagement manager and learning producer • access to our volunteer's website, the 'volunteer portal', including a blog, downloadable resources, rota and events page
Getting to the Palace	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the nearest tube station is Putney Bridge • the nearest railway station is Putney • there are several bus stops in walking distance • we reimburse travel expenses up to £8 per session
What next?	<p>Please get in touch by completing an enquiry form, available at:</p> <p>https://www.fulhampalace.org/get-involved/volunteer-at-fulham-palace/</p> <p>If you have any questions you can contact our volunteer enquiry assistants by emailing volunteer@fulhampalace.org or calling 020 7751 2433</p> <p>Potential volunteers will be invited to an informal interview to discuss the role further in person.</p>
<p>Fulham Palace values the involvement of volunteers; they enhance everything we are able to do. We are committed to offering volunteer opportunities of a high standard and welcome feedback.</p>	