

## **Fishmarket ten-week Gallery Internship Programme**

Four times a year the Fishmarket run volunteer programmes to introduce people to working with galleries, providing valuable experience that not only looks good on your CV but gives you hands-on knowledge of working with artists, curators and the everyday life of a contemporary art gallery.

The ten-week programme consists of invigilation, de-installation, working with artists to help them realise new works, dealing with the public, being part of the team behind events and more.

The programme begins with 4 weeks of invigilation starting with an induction to the building and how the Fishmarket works. In the 3<sup>rd</sup> week you will have a talk from the gallery curator, in the 4<sup>th</sup> week from the Chief Executive and in the 5<sup>th</sup> week from the coordinator. During either the 6<sup>th</sup> or 7<sup>th</sup> week you will assist with de-installation of the exhibition, working the artists, curator and technicians to take down, condition check and pack the work. You will be trained by the curator and/or technician to handle works to museum standard and the accompanying administration. In the final weeks you will assist installing the new exhibition which may range from creating new pieces to dealing with loans, off site or site-specific works or assisting with performance preparations.

In addition to the training, you be receive a free lunch from the Nook Café, your travel expenses to and from the Fishmarket, a written reference, certificate of completion and free entry to selected events. There may also be opportunities to develop your participation with the Fishmarket in the future.

Person specification:

You will need to demonstrate a keen interest in contemporary art and culture.

An ability to communicate with the general public.

A professional, polite and patient demeanour.

Technical skills desirable, but not necessary.

A positive attitude and desire to learn.

You can apply for the volunteer programme that runs on either Thursdays, Fridays or Saturdays. The hours are 10am-6pm. The programmes start on 21 July, 29 September. A shorter programme will run from 1 December to mid-January and will allow for Christmas and New Year holidays.

To apply please complete the following form for the programme starting in July by 6pm on Saturday 9 July. You will be invited to interview on Friday 15 July and places will be allocated as a result of both the form and interview.

For the programme starting in September, the deadline for applications is 6pm on Saturday 3 September, interviews on Friday 9 September.

For the programme starting in December, the deadline for applications is 6pm on Saturday 5 November, interviews on Friday 11 November.

Deliver your application to:

Laura Hogan  
Introductory Volunteer Internship Programme  
Fishmarket  
Bradshaw Street  
Northampton NN1 2HL



Statement: Why I am applying for this role (maximum 500 words):

Signed:

Dated: