

Creative Practitioner – Summer Community Hubs (freelance post)



Creative Learning, Aberdeen City Council seeks to appoint 2 freelance Creative Practitioners with experience of working with vulnerable children to lead creative activity sessions at one of Aberdeen City Council's Summer Community Hubs. The Term Time and Summer Community Hubs are an Education/Social work initiative set up to support some of the city's most vulnerable children during the current Covid 19 pandemic. Each Summer Community Hub will be managed by Education/ Social work with staff reporting to the hub facilitator for daily pre and post debrief sessions.

Summer Community Hub creative outcome:

The Creative Practitioner will devise and deliver fun activities for children attending one of Aberdeen City's Summer Community Hubs. The Term Time and Summer Community Hubs operate within the Scottish Government Covid 19 guidelines following social distancing policies.

The Creative Practitioner will use their art form to provide creative activities which will allow for an open ended and fluid approach. The emphasis for the session will be on fun, ensuring that children are safe and their wellbeing and learning is supported. The Creative Practitioner will enable the children to make their own creative decisions, gaining confidence in their creative potential, building resilience and feeling proud of their achievements that support their learning and development.

It will be the responsibility of the Creative Practitioner to follow the Current Scottish Government Covid 19 guidelines regarding travelling to and from the city.

The freelance role will include:

- Plan and deliver Summer Community Hub activity sessions in line with project aims.
- Prepare, resource any materials, set up and clean up using appropriate cleaning solutions after each activity
- Comply with all Risk Assessments
- Arrive in time for pre-meeting at 9am and be ready to greet children as they arrive at 9.30am
- Contribute to project evaluation in collaboration with Creative Learning and Summer Community Hub partners
- Maintain communication on going progress with Summer Community Hub and Creative Learning staff

- Share activity plan for each week, with Project Coordinator in advance, identifying themes and activities aims and outcomes
- Along with Summer Community Hub staff and volunteers explain and promote health and safety including social distancing at the start and throughout sessions
- Document each day's activity session so content can be captured and contribute to evaluation
- Raise any child protection concerns with the Hub facilitator
- Be autonomous in approach, flexible and able to think on feet
- At snack times sit and eat with children

This post is to cover 5 weeks from week beginning 6 July to week ending 7th August. 3 sessions per week; Monday, Wednesday and Friday 8:45am – 1:15pm

Role requirements

It is an essential requirement for this post to have a valid PVG certificate, ensure you have this before applying. Please evidence your experience, knowledge, understanding and ability to take on the following:

- Experience of planning and devising arts-based projects/activities which make a significant contribution to the learning and development of children.
- Experience of partnership working
- Awareness of child protection and health and safety requirements
- Experience of gathering evidence through evaluation
- Knowledge and understanding of equal opportunities
- Ability to organise and prioritise workload
- Ability to reflectively analyse situations and challenges and come up with creative solutions.
- Ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing.
- Degree or equivalent in an art form, equivalent would be the demonstration of progression and success in delivery in these fields.

The fee for each Creative Practitioner post for 15 days is £1500

To apply please provide the follow to creativelearningteam@aberdeencity.gov.uk with the subject line "Summer Community Hub" by **10 am, Monday 29th June 2020.**

- A maximum of 500 words evidencing your experience in relation to the role requirements
- A CV
- Any links to project examples and relevant reports

Interviews for this post will be via Microsoft Teams on **Thursday 2nd July 2020.**