Gainsborough's Townscape Heritage Initiative Volunteering Opportunities



We have recently received funding from the National Lottery to offer grants to enable owners to conserve and repair their shopfronts in the Market Place and Lord Street.

We are also delivering a programme of activities to help the local community to learn and understand the heritage of this area, ensuring that it is preserved for future generations. Some of these activities bring opportunities for volunteers to be involved in the project throughout 2022 - 2024.

Event Volunteers

We organise 2-3 public events each year, based in Gainsborough's Market Place. These events vary and have included costumed character markets, heritage skills days and Big Draw art festivals. We always need proactive volunteers to help during the organisation and to assist on the day.

Location

Outdoors at public events in the centre of Gainsborough.

Responsible Officer / Supervisor / Contact

Theresa Workman is the Activities Coordinator and she will assist you, providing training and information specific to each event.

Timescale

We tend to run events at Easter, August and October. The next event in 2022 will be October's Big Draw which is an art festival.

Main tasks and responsibilities

- To assist with setting up equipment prior to the event start time.
- During the event you may be a costumed character giving out information, helping visitors with art and craft activities, collecting evaluation data, monitoring entry and exits.
- To carry out interviews at public events as part of the THI team, gathering opinions and feedback from visitors to help us evaluate each event.

Skills and experience required

- A confident and friendly approach to working with the Public.
- Ability to help to physically set up displays and activities.

Support and training required

You will be part of the THI team on event days and we will involve you in the pre-event briefings when tasks will be given out and preparation work may be required.

What you need to provide

You do not need to provide any equipment. We will initially ask you to provide some personal details and proof of ID. This role will only be active on and around event dates which we will provide in advance and ask you to make a commitment to attend.

What you will gain from this role

- You will be taking part in a once in a lifetime project to restore the heart of Gainsborough to its former glory and to capture its history for generations to come.
- You will gain interpersonal skills and the ability to work as part of a team.
- You will receive a certificate of attendance for participating in our events.