



Volunteering Role Description

Role Title: Young Community Ambassador for Stratford East aged 18-20 years

Stratford East are delighted to announce that we're recruiting again for an additional two enthusiastic, friendly, arts-loving volunteer Community Ambassadors to join our team for our theatre's 140th year. Stratford East has always played a pivotal role in the life of East London, and we have a proud history of connecting with our local community. In December 2024 we celebrate our 140th anniversary and this milestone is the time to preserve and promote our heritage as well as welcoming new audiences into the building.

Main purpose and scope of the role

This role is a unique and exciting opportunity to work closely with one of London's best theatres and become part of a supportive and creative team. Community Ambassadors will be trained volunteers who will help build and strengthen our connections in the community, drawing on their own links to expand our reach.

They will also help us to unlock and record our community's theatre-going experiences and stories and use our heritage to increase awareness of the history of the theatre through hosting events, backstage tours, workshops and giving out free tickets. At the heart of the project is the simple idea of connection - between people, community organisations, and theatres, plus an opportunity to experience the theatre from behind the scenes and be part of something really special.

No prior Stratford East experience or knowledge of the theatre is necessary – we are simply looking for engaged, passionate individuals.

What's in it for you?

Share your love of the arts with others and receive benefits for your efforts as well as an opportunity to enhance your community building and communication skills. Being part of the Stratford East team means you can enjoy all our wonderful company perks!

Community Ambassadors can enjoy:

- Free tickets to Stratford East Press Nights
- Access to discounted tickets
- Invites to special events
- Opportunities to take part in free workshops
- Opportunities to observe rehearsals
- Access to use our meeting space for free (when available)
- Discounts in our bar

Training

Volunteers will be provided with a full induction and given training on the history of our theatre and upcoming productions and training will include talking about our values, our shows and our history

Duties and Responsibilities

- Help us identify and visit local community groups/organisations to promote Stratford East's work and engage audiences who may not have visited the theatre before by distributing an allocation of free and discounted show tickets.
- Co-host groups coming to see shows or join workshops at Stratford East
- Lead heritage-focused backstage tours at Stratford East

We are looking for people who can commit to a minimum of 6 months.

Personal Specification

- A strong connection to Newham and its communities
- An interest in theatre and the arts
- The confidence to talk to people of all ages and backgrounds.
- A dynamic networker with a positive 'can do' approach and strong relationship building skills
- Good timekeeping and reliability

General

- The hours you work are flexible and something we can discuss but we expect a regular commitment from you.
- You will need to attend the mandatory training sessions before acting as a volunteer Community Ambassador

Theatre making is a powerful form of community building and working with a dedicated, creative team of Community Ambassadors, we want to ensure that Stratford East is a truly accessible and welcoming destination for all.

To apply please click on the link below. For any further questions or information, please get in touch by emailing volunteer@stratfordeast.com

<https://forms.office.com/e/5kkbHWyx3r>

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