

SS Shieldhall & ST Challenge Volunteer Role Profile



Role Name: Learning Volunteer

Description of Role: Shieldhall is a historic steamship open to members of the public. Learning volunteers will help increase visitors' knowledge and understanding of SS Shieldhall and ST Challenge by supporting the project team to deliver and evaluate a broad range of learning activities to capture the imagination of visitors on board the ship and via the organisations' websites. The activities will help to add to visitors' learning and enjoyment.

Reporting to: Volunteer Coordinators for SS Shieldhall and ST Challenge
SS Shieldhall *Rosie Jacob*,
ST Challenge *Clive Purser*
Learning and Participation Consultants
(Helen Horler, Bryony Miles & Julia Hill)

Work Environment: You must expect to work in the busy and sometimes cramped environment of a working steam ship. When not "in steam" the ship reflects seasonal temperature variations.

Physical Demands: Work place access involves the climbing of ladders and sometimes the need to enter cramped spaces.

Sample Tasks:

Some volunteers may prefer to focus on either supporting activities or on developing resources. It is not expected that all learning volunteers will cover both areas. This will be discussed and agreed in advance.

Supporting activities

- Deliver and /or support learning activities on board or off site in a variety of settings.
- Undertake the physical setting up or packing down of sessions and help with housekeeping duties.
- Help prepare materials and learning resources for sessions.
- Engage positively with visitors.
- Help with the publicity of learning events.
- Support evaluation work, including data collection.

Developing Resources

- Support the development of learning resources, including those designed for online access.
- Undertake relevant research to enable the development of accurate and engaging resources.
- Source resources and materials for activities where appropriate e.g. materials for a workshop or web-links for online resources.
- Meet agreed milestones.
- Keep up to date with developments through newsletters and other communications.

Health and Safety: Your own safety and that of those around you is paramount. Safety equipment is provided according to the task in hand (hard hats, goggles, hearing protection etc.). However, you are responsible for providing your own working gear (boiler suits, protective footwear, gloves etc).