

## **VOLUNTEER VACANCY INFORMATION PACK**



### **Use Hearing Protection: the early years of Factory Records Engagement Volunteer**

**Closing Date: April 26th 2021**

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#### **OUR MISSION AND VALUES:**

At the Science Museum Group, we make it our mission to **Inspire Futures**. Our talented and dedicated colleagues are guided by five values that encapsulate simply what we're all about:

- we **think big**, pushing the limits of what's possible;
- we challenge ourselves to **reveal wonder**;
- we use our passion, expertise and creativity to **share authentic stories**;
- we aim to **ignite curiosity** in our audiences and our colleagues; and
- we take pride in being **open for all**

## Use Hearing Protection: the early years of Factory Records Engagement Volunteer

Department:	Exhibitions	Type:	Volunteer Role
Location:	Science and Industry Museum, Manchester	Hours:	1 day per week
Supervisor:	Volunteer Coordinator	Start Date:	25/06/2021
		End Date:	03/01/2022

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### ABOUT THE ROLE:

Use Hearing Protection: The early years of Factory Records – is a new exhibition that will celebrate the initial works of this seminal record label and its fundamental role in Manchester’s music revolution. It will run from 19 June 2021 – 3 January 2022.

This special exhibition tells the story of Factory Records’ formative years from 1978 – 1982, and how it used innovation in the fields of music, technology and design to give Manchester an authentic voice and distinctive identity. Founded by Tony Wilson and Alan Erasmus, the label played an influential part in the city’s transformation from an industrial powerhouse to a beacon of art and culture and continues to impact current-day creative industries.

Visitors will be guided on a journey of the label’s early work through a display of the first 50 numbered Factory artefacts. These include creations from Joy Division, New Order and The Durutti Column, as well as graphic designer Peter Saville, whose visuals are synonymous with the label.

The exhibition will also provide exclusive access to previously unseen products from the Factory archives. Through a series of visual and immersive displays, it will amplify the stories of Manchester’s unique culture that gave rise to a new wave of creative industries in the North West.

### WHAT YOU WILL BE DOING:

- Helping visitors to get the most out of the exhibition’s interactive elements, including a gig room
- Taking care of your own and others’ health and safety, report any health and safety concerns, and help to ensure the safety of the objects in the exhibition.
- Engaging with the exhibition by being knowledgeable about the content and sharing this with visitors
- Engaging visitors with their specialist knowledge on the content of the exhibition, and reciprocally learning from the people they meet
- Undertaking any other tasks required to fulfil the duties of this volunteer role.

### WHAT YOU BRING TO THE TEAM:

**You will definitely ...**

- Have a passion for interacting and engaging with the public, enjoying talking to a wide range of people from different backgrounds
- Be friendly and happy to approach visitors
- Have an interest in exhibitions, and music
- Enjoy talking to a wide range of people from different backgrounds.
- Be reliable, and have a desire to deliver great customer service.
- Be able to demonstrate initiative and enjoy being part of a team.
- Enjoy learning new information and sharing this with others.

**It would be good if you ...**

- Have an interest in Factory Records and the history of Manchester
- Have experience of working with the general public in a customer facing role
- Have experience of working with families and young children
- Have an enthusiastic and dedicated approach to volunteering
- Want to gain more skills in this area
- Want to gain more experience of being in a museum environment.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

- To volunteer in this role, you must be 18 or over and eligible to volunteer in the UK. Unfortunately, SMG is unable to act as a sponsor organisation if you do not have the appropriate visa.
- A basic criminal record check applies for this role, we will consider every applicant on a case by case basis.
- An enhanced criminal record check applies for this role, we will consider every applicant on a case by case basis.

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**HOW TO APPLY:**

Please email [volunteering@scienceandindustrymuseum.org.uk](mailto:volunteering@scienceandindustrymuseum.org.uk) answering the questions below to apply for this role:

1. Why you would like to volunteer for the exhibition
2. Any relevant experience you have
3. Skills you would like to gain by volunteering with the museum

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If you require assistance to complete your application or would like to inform us of anything we need to take into consideration during our shortlisting process, for example due to a disability, please contact us by email at [volunteering@scienceandindustrymuseum.org.uk](mailto:volunteering@scienceandindustrymuseum.org.uk) or by calling 0161 696 7774.

We wish you every success with your application!