

# SLG

APPLICATION PACK:

## COMMUNITIES & LEARNING PROGRAMME ASSISTANT (ART BLOCK)



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### South London Gallery

The South London Gallery (SLG) is a locally, nationally and internationally recognised centre for contemporary art with an acclaimed and award-winning communities & learning programme.

Providing opportunities for participation is at the heart of the gallery's purpose, and each year thousands of children, young people and adults take part in an extensive programme of activities.



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## **Selection Process**

The selection process is by a written application and an interview. This is an internal recruitment process. If you would like to apply, please email [recruitment@southlondongallery.org](mailto:recruitment@southlondongallery.org) with a cover letter outlining why you are suitable for the role.

Applications are reviewed on a rolling basis, there is no set deadline. Shortlisted candidates will be contacted by phone or email and invited to attend an interview. Once a number of positions are filled, we will close applications, we encourage you to submit your application as soon as you can.

The South London Gallery is committed to creating a more inclusive and diverse workforce. We are particularly interested in applications from people from backgrounds who are underrepresented in museums and galleries, including people from low-income backgrounds and people from Black, Asian and ethnically diverse backgrounds.

After interviews, if it is necessary to select between candidates of equal merit, where known, we may select a candidate from a group that is underrepresented within our workforce.

If you have any queries regarding the process or role, or if you require any special arrangements at any stage of the selection process, please contact Craig Jones at [recruitment@southlondongallery.org](mailto:recruitment@southlondongallery.org) or telephone 020 7703 6120.

## **Job Description**

Job Title: Communities & Learning Assistant (Art Block)

Available Hours: 3pm-6pm, Wednesday – Friday. One Saturday per month.

Salary: £13.95 per hour

Reports to: Communities & Learning Programme Manager (Art Block)

Place of Work: South London Gallery, 65-67 Peckham Road, London SE5 8UH, working across all SLG sites and in the neighbourhood as required.

This appointment is subject to a satisfactory DBS check

## **About Art Block**

Art Block is a free, creative space on Sceaux Gardens Estate for local young people to connect, relax and express themselves.

We are looking for assistants to support the delivery of our sessions for ages 6-16 years old.

During an Art Block session, young people take part in a range of activities on offer, including painting, drawing and physical games and activities. There is a kitchen where they can learn how to cook food from around the world, as well as a separate cosy space to unwind. Additionally, Art Block hosts special projects where children and young people collaborate with artists to try a range of activities, from screen printing to growing vegetables and birdwatching.

The Art Block team consists of experienced practitioners who are passionate about working with children and young people. All staff receive regular training and are skilled in supporting attendees with additional needs.

## **Purpose of the role**

As a Communities & Learning Assistant, your role will be to work with children aged 6-16 who are participating in the Art Block sessions. You will help to ensure Art Block is a creative, social, and safe space for children to make and play. Art Block sessions are busy and active, and you will switch between different roles in the session including: Register, creative activity, physical activity and refreshments.

You will need to be confident at engaging children aged 6-16, be responsive to their needs and able to work as part of a team. We will offer you training and development in skills such as first aid.

The role includes but is not limited to the following duties;

- Encouraging and supporting children to participate at Art Block
- Assisting with the set-up and tidy up of the sessions
- Welcoming new children and families to the space, explaining what happens and helping them to feel comfortable and welcome;
- Working to promote positive behaviour;
- Dealing with any challenging situations calmly;
- Helping a range of children access Art Block;
- Assisting artists to deliver projects;
- Working within the SLG's policies and procedures including safeguarding, health & safety and equal opportunities policies;

There will also be opportunities to work on other SLG Communities & Learning programmes such as schools and families.

### Person Specification

- Demonstrable experience of working with children aged 6-16
- Confidence in engaging children in activities ranging from art, crafts, sport and games
- Experience in managing children's behaviour in a confident and inclusive way
- Ability to work and communicate with a diverse range of children and young people in a personable and friendly manner
- An interest in or knowledge of art and creative practice
- A demonstrable commitment to promoting and delivering diversity and inclusion
- A knowledge of the local neighbourhood surrounding the SLG
- Flexible and self-motivated with the ability to work in a team
- Reliable, punctual and trustworthy

### To Apply

Please visit <https://www.southlondongallery.org/jobs/> to download an applicant details form and application form, then email the completed forms to Craig Jones, HR Manager – [recruitment@southlondongallery](mailto:recruitment@southlondongallery)

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