



The National Gas Museum Trust

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'VISITOR WELCOME' VOLUNTEER, GAS MUSEUM, LEICESTER SUNDAY AFTERNOONS during SCHOOL HOLIDAYS 1-4pm

The National Gas Museum is a little museum with a big collection. It holds the national object collection of the UK gas industry. This tells the story of gas from its earliest days to the present. Gas made from coal started as the brightest light of the 19th century. Now, natural gas is an essential part of our energy mix, heating nearly every home

The collection includes a fabulous selection of nostalgic cookers, heaters and gas lights, as well as gas engines, gas fridges and even a gas hair-dryer.

For the first time we are opening the museum on Sunday afternoons so that more people can enjoy its collections. We need your help.

Role details

This opportunity is ideal for a friendly person with a liking for history and a hands-on self-motivated working style. You will be responsible for welcoming visitors to the museum and showing them around.

If you wish, you can also help to catalogue the collection in quieter moments. As you get to know the museum, you can propose other tasks suited to enhancing our front of house experience, and be responsible for making it happen.

Duties

- Open up and lock the museum, after induction training.
- Give visitors a great welcome and a simple tour if desired
- Keep displays tidy and dusted
- Research objects that interest you and write up results if desired
- Encourage visitors to leave a donation on their way home.

You will need:

- A love of people and great communication skills
- A practical, independent working style
- Patience as the museum will take time to get busy again
- Ability to work in a very small team
- Good essential computer skills
- Adequate spoken English language skills
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Work location

195 Aylestone Rd, Leicester, LE2 7QH – the brick building with the clock tower.

Hours of work

Sunday afternoons during Leicester school holidays 1-4pm
(but not Christmas/New Year holidays)

Clothing

Clothing suitable for meeting the public.

Background check

We will make a background and Criminal Records check as this post involves the possibility of work with children. Two references will also be required from an employer, college or similar trusted authority.

Lone working

To avoid lone working, we warmly invite applications from two friends who would like to volunteer together.