V&A Department of Theatre and Performance
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**V&A DEPARTMENT OF THEATRE AND PERFORMANCE**

**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

The V&A Department of Theatre and Performance contains the UK's National Collection of Performing Arts. The collections are vast, covering all areas of live performance – from theatre, opera and ballet, to music hall and musical theatre, circus, puppetry, and rock and pop.

- Departmental activity is divided into **collections work** (based at Blythe House, Olympia) and **exhibitions, publications and potential web-content** (based at V&A South Kensington).
- **Exhibitions-based work** includes the development of temporary displays in the Theatre and Performance Galleries at the V&A and a broad programme of special exhibitions, both at the V&A and on tour.
- **Collections-based work** involves cataloguing new acquisitions, working with the archive and organising object rotations in the permanent Theatre and Performance Galleries at the V&A.

Placements will be based in one of these areas, please indicate your preference on the application form.

**Voluntary Work Experience Placements and Training**

- The Department offers a small number of volunteer and graduate placements, for career development, training and research.
- Volunteers assist with **research and interpretation, exhibition development, publications, potential web content and other outputs.**
- Volunteers have access to **professional development training and experience**, both at the V&A and at other relevant institutions and organisations in London, such as theatres, museums and other arts institutions.
- Work is varied and rewarding, and allows volunteers to contribute to the work of one of the UK's flagship cultural institutions.

- **The next placements will be within the period from March – October 2017.**

**Applications**

If you are interested in volunteering, please complete the application form overleaf and then send this to t.applications@vam.ac.uk. **The deadline for applications is 12 February 2017.**

**Application Form**

Please tell us why you would like to volunteer in the V&A Department of Theatre and Performance and any information that you think supports your application (maximum 400 words).

Please indicate which days of the week you would be able or would prefer to work.

I could work these days:

Monday ☐ Tuesday ☐ Wednesday ☐ Thursday ☐ Friday ☐

I definitely could not work these days:

Monday ☐ Tuesday ☐ Wednesday ☐ Thursday ☐ Friday ☐

My preference could be:

Exhibitions-based work ☐ Collections-based work ☐

Please also attach **your CV and two written references** to this application form.