

New Volunteering Opportunities at New Lanark FAQs

We are currently looking for friendly, outgoing and hands on Volunteers to assist with our exciting exhibitions programme. Coming up is our next exhibition - **'Making the Great Tapestry of Scotland'** which is open from 18th May – 1st July 2018.



Volunteers at the Great Tapestry of Scotland in 2014

Be part of something unique

Our volunteers come from a wide variety of backgrounds, bringing a diverse range of experience, talents and skills to New Lanark. So, whether you're passionate about your local history or fascinated by textile production, we have a range of roles at New Lanark with time commitments to suit you. Our Exhibition Stewards are vital to the running of our site & Exhibition Programme as they help to welcome the thousands of visitors we receive each year, ensuring they enjoy their experience at New Lanark, as well as answering questions and making sure that the displays are respected.

Do I need to know lots about the history of New Lanark or the Exhibition?

No! Our Exhibition Programme covers lots of different topics. This year alone we will host exhibitions about New Lanark itself, Fashion and Textiles, The History of Scotland, and Board Games from around the world. We provide full training so that you can feel confident about speaking to visitors about the displays. Having a keen interest and being willing to learn is most important.

I work full time. Can I still volunteer?

Yes! We have a wide range of time commitments available for volunteers, with more being added all the time. From Event Volunteers to weekend Exhibitions Stewards and Volunteer Site Guides. Please explore the [volunteering section of our website](#) to find out which opportunity best suits you, or have a look at our current opportunities.

When can I apply?

We recruit for various volunteer positions throughout the year. Get in touch and we will advise what opportunities are currently available.

Can I complete an internship at New Lanark?

Yes, we are working in partnership with various further education establishments already, however if you would like to organise your own placement then you are most welcome to get in touch. We are able to offer unpaid internship placements for both national and international students, or those looking to broaden their experience. These internships can take place in various departments within New Lanark, including collections and archive, research, exhibition planning, design and install, visitor centre operations, marketing and many more.

Please note that it takes time to arrange appropriate work plans that are beneficial to the individual with the relevant department, and as such it is recommended to start this process with as much notice as possible.

Some recommended courses include but are not limited to; Scottish History, Art History, Museum Studies, Social Anthropology, Exhibition Design, Travel and Tourism, Marketing, Applied Graphics. If you are studying another discipline not listed and you think there may be a place for your internship at New Lanark, please get in touch anyway.

Please note that unfortunately we are not able to provide any financial support or accommodation. All interns will be expected to fund their travel expenses, day-to-day living costs and accommodation by themselves. Overseas students may also need to apply for a visa. Additional funding may be obtained by student grants or scholarships.

Sounds great! How do I start?

Fill out our volunteer enquiry form and send it to paige.hughes@newlanark.org or call 01555 661345 if you have any questions not covered in this section.

www.newlanark.org/world-heritage-site/volunteering.shtml



Volunteers at The Antiques Roadshow in 2016