

## **Collection Centre**

### Volunteer

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Reports to: Volunteer Programme Manager

#### **Role purpose**

- Support the widespread use of our new Collection Centre, alongside our curators, by encouraging visitors of all ages to explore the collection.
- Encourage direct engagement with collections; from digital access to up-close encounters and handling objects
- Learn from visitors and their interests, stories and research, and share these where appropriate.
- Engage passionately with visitors to promote activities across the gallery
- Give any other appropriate assistance as may be reasonably requested

#### **Opportunities:**

- Knowledge around key collections at the gallery
- Training opportunities with curators to develop understanding of the collections, care and access
- Develop knowledge of art skills and techniques and an awareness of the whole gallery and its programming
- Becoming part of the Whitworth family; seeing the gallery from the inside, receiving invitations to private views and special events

#### **What we would love you to bring to the role:**

- You to have an interest and passion in the gallery and a desire to share this with others
- Active engagement with our collection and all our visitors
- Enjoy meeting and chatting to people from all cultural backgrounds
- To build a dedicated and close-knit team, we would like volunteers to be able to commit at least one half-day 3 hour session (morning or afternoon) or one full day (6 hours) once a week.
- 6 months minimum involvement

Please email [fiona.cariss@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:fiona.cariss@manchester.ac.uk) for any further questions and to request an application form