Freelance Educators

Salary: £12.50 per hour

Job type: Self-employed / Contractor

Engagement period: Half day and full day sessions as required

Location: Brent and Harrow areas primarily however opportunities exist across London

Responsible to: Education Coordinator

Purpose of the job
Deliver education sessions and community engagement activities.

About Thames21
Thames21 is an environmental charity putting healthy rivers at the heart of community life. Through environmental improvements, education, research and advocacy efforts, we inspire and influence effective and lasting change by working hand-in-hand with communities to deliver tangible and measurable improvements for urban rivers.

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Applicants should have:

- A track record of successfully delivering education programmes.
- Strong skills in leading classroom sessions and meeting learning objectives.
- Knowledge of water pollution issues.
- Knowledge of wildlife.
- Excellent administrative & organisational skills.
- Knowledge of modern presentation tools.
- Excellent verbal communication skills.

Main duties and responsibilities:

- Deliver curriculum linked and informal educational sessions at educational institutions and community venues.
- Manage large groups of young people and ensure agreed timing is adhered to during educational sessions.
- Encourage active participation and learning, and ensure learning objectives are met during educational sessions.
- Delegate tasks to and manage individuals supporting sessions such as teachers and volunteers.
• Ensure you have access to session resources and are completely familiar with them before session delivery.

• Facilitate pop-up information stands at events.

• Communicate messages of Thames21 projects to the general public. Encourage people to take action to improve river water quality in a friendly and positive way.

• Make environmental information easy to understand by tailoring it to the audience and communicating it in as lively and interactive a manner as possible. Utilise games, activities and discussions to relay information.

• Encourage dialogue with and between people engaged and wherever possible facilitate their ability to share experiences and learn from each other.

• Be willing to move resources between Thames21 locations and events.

• Be willing to continue updating your environmental knowledge and be informed about the latest key issues.

• Provide Feedback to Thames21 of lessons delivered including numbers of people engaged.

**Thames21 Freelance Educator accept:**

• By agreeing to undertake a booking it is considered a contractual obligation to attend and to arrive on time. Adequate notice must be given to Education Team Leader to allow a replacement Educator to be found if you cannot make a booking.

• You will be expected to read the Thames21 Welfare of Children and Other Vulnerable Groups Policy, and sign-up to Thames21 Code of Conduct. You will also need to have a current or agree to undertake an enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check.

• Attend a one day induction course prior to delivering Education sessions for Thames21

**Application for this post:**

To apply for this post please complete the application form and return it via email Edel Fingleton, Thames21 Education Coordinator: edel.fingleton@thames21.org.uk

Closing date for applications is **Wednesday 2nd November 2016**. Interviews for this post will be held on the **Tuesday 8th November 2016** at Welsh Harp Environmental Educational Centre, Birchen Grove, NW9 8RY