



Heritage Internship – funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund

One year internship: November 2017-November 2018 (4 days a week)

Venue: Sandycombe Lodge

Supervisor: Activities and Interpretation Officer

Remuneration: £18,603 pro rata

Turner's House Trust has been awarded a Heritage Lottery Grant to restore, conserve and preserve the Grade II* listed country retreat of renowned artist JWM Turner. The first stages of this period of funding is complete, and the house is fully accessible to the public for the first time. Now open, we are implementing our Activity Plan, which includes running an associated programme of formal and informal learning and participation activities for a variety of audiences.

In the spirit of Turner as artist and architect of the house, Sandycombe Lodge has developed interpretation and activity which champions a spirit of place which captures the essence of Sandycombe Lodge and Turner's time there.

This internship offers invaluable experience of working in an historic house. The intern will have the opportunity to learn about community engagement, formal and informal learning and historic house management. Over the course of the year, the Intern will receive specific and on the job training to enable them to contribute to the running of Sandycombe Lodge, and help further their career in the sector.

The Intern will also have the chance to develop their own research project surrounding Sandycombe Lodge and JMW Turner.

The Intern will be able to gain skills and develop knowledge in the following areas:

- Front of house duties
- Developing interpretation material
- Developing content for the web
- Developing material for learning programmes
- Volunteer management
- Community engagement techniques
- Evaluating heritage activities
- Collections documentation and care
- Independent research

By the end of the internship, the post-holder will have achieved the following:

- Completed sector specific training, locally and nationally and tailored to the needs of the individual, and the Trust
- Independent research project, supervised by expertise from the Trust
- Curatorial cataloguing of our collection
- Act as a key member of Turner's House team, leading visitor tours

Person Specification:

Essential:

- Demonstrable interest in Heritage and the Arts, and a desire to pursue a career in this field
- Strong communication skills, able to adapt when necessary
- Willingness to work as part of a team, as well as independently
- Excellent problem-solving skills
- IT skills – using Microsoft Office

Desirable:

- Qualification in Art History, History, Heritage or a related subject area
- Research Skills
- Experience working in a Heritage site or Museum

For more information about Turner's House, please visit our website www.turnershouse.org
To discuss any aspects of the role, please call 020 8892 5485.

This is a part-time role (4 days a week) based at Sandycombe Lodge, TW1 2LR. The post-holder will be entitled to the equivalent of 28 days annual leave pro rata.
Some weekend working will be required, as the museum is open Wed-Sun.

To apply:

Please send a CV and covering letter outlining your interest in the role, and how your skills and experience make you a suitable candidate (no longer than 2 sides of A4) to Michelle Graabek: learning@turnershouse.org by Friday 27th October 2017.