

<b>Volunteer Role Description</b>	<b>Gardener Volunteer</b>
<b>Commitment</b>	Wednesdays, 10am-12pm
<b>Supervisor</b>	Learning and Volunteers Officer
<b>Organisation information</b>	Turner's House Trust is committed to extending access to the house and engaging visitors with both the heritage of the site and the story of JMW Turner himself. We aim to illustrate his relationship to the local area which influenced many of his paintings. The House also offers a high quality programme of learning and participation activities for people of all ages.
<b>Purpose of role</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Seasonal maintenance in the garden of Sandycombe Lodge</li> <li>• Annual programme of planting in borders</li> <li>• Make the garden of Sandycombe Lodge accessible for as many people as possible</li> </ul>
<b>Tasks</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Work with Garden Team colleagues to undertaking a variety of horticultural tasks within the garden as required</li> <li>• Maintain good health and safety practice</li> <li>• Develop an understanding of the history of Sandycombe Lodge and its garden</li> <li>• Ad hoc opportunities for delivering garden talks (if this is of interest)</li> <li>• Respond to questions from visitors and answer as appropriate, or direct them to an appropriate source of information</li> </ul>
<b>Required Skills</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enthusiasm for gardening and the outdoors</li> <li>• Interest in heritage</li> <li>• Willingness to learn</li> <li>• Good communication skills</li> <li>• Friendly and proactive personality</li> <li>• Reliability</li> </ul>
<b>Support &amp; training</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Induction day</li> <li>• Full training on all aspects on the role</li> <li>• Regular volunteer information events</li> <li>• Regular updates on the wider activities of Turner's House Trust</li> <li>• Advice and guidance from Learning and Volunteers Officer</li> <li>• Opportunities for further mentoring and training, eg through CVS Richmond</li> </ul>
<b>Benefits of volunteering</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Become part of a friendly and dedicated team</li> <li>• Opportunity to develop new and existing skills</li> <li>• Opportunity to meet new people</li> <li>• A programme of cultural trips and social events</li> <li>• Contribute to the valuable work of making Turner's House available to the public and developing interest in heritage in Twickenham</li> <li>• Gain experience working in the heritage industry</li> </ul>
<b>Application procedure</b>	Application form Informal interview
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