

WORK EXPERIENCE

Work experience placements at the Norden Farm involve students working with every department across five working days. This would usually include Box Office, Front of House, Marketing, Technical, Catering and Education.

Each season we offer up to three schools work experience placements. Each student will gain a quality experience throughout the week, across the entire breadth of our organisation.

To apply, download the Schools Work Experience Application Form at the bottom of this page, fill it in carefully and send it to the e-mail address or postal address on the form.

As we are a busy working theatre the amount of placements we are able to offer is limited, we also become very oversubscribed for placements and therefore prioritise students who go to school/college within the RBWM area first, and then, if placements are still available, to other areas.

OTHER PLACEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Young Leadership Scheme

As well as our Work Experience programme we also run the Young Leadership Scheme.

The Young Leadership Programme at Norden Farm allows students to gain hands on work experience.

Young Leaders play an important part of the holidays at Norden Farm assisting craft and storytelling sessions and front of house activity, working alongside professional arts practitioners and leading an end of week open workshop for local children and families.

Participants in the programme benefit from up to 3 training and mentoring sessions throughout the leadership week.

The programme, which runs throughout the Easter and summer holidays is open to young people, aged 14- 17 years.

Participation in this course can be used toward Bronze, Silver or Gold Arts Award and DofE Award.

Please see the link on the Work Experience page to find out more about Young Leadership and how to apply.

Young Creatives

Summer Young Creatives is a specific extended work experience placement for arts and creative students.

The placement is best suited to KS5 students.

Across 4 days you will work with a small group of students alongside technicians and with the guidance and support of a professional artist to curate and install the annual summer Exhibition at Norden Farm.

During this placement participants will:

- * Gain valuable hands on work experience to add to your CV

- * Enhance your leadership, planning and organisational skills
- * Build self-confidence, make friends and have fun
- * Work alongside professional arts practitioners to support activity

This placement is available for a maximum of 6 students. Please see the link on the Work Experience page to find out more about Young Creatives and how to apply.

A TYPICAL WEEK

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
AM		11.30am - 2pm Education		10.30am - 2.30pm Catering (lunch provided)	
PM		2.30pm - 5pm Box Office	4pm - 10pm Tech	2.30pm - 5pm Marketing	4pm - 10pm Front of House
Event on Day		8pm Film / Classes etc	2pm / 8pm Film / The Tempest	St Edmund Camp Show / The Shackleton Trio	St Edmund Camp Show

A BRIEF GUIDE TO EACH DEPARTMENT

Box Office

In Box Office, you can see how we sell tickets by phone and in person. Depending on the workload on the day, you can help by preparing ticket orders for postage, doing data entry for new customers, simple admin jobs. You may be allowed to actually serve a customer!

Front of House (FOH)

In this team you will help get ready for the evening show/shows. This includes meeting the artists - filling out the appropriate paperwork - working with our volunteers stewards to help seat the show - selling merch - setting up for next classes and events and being in a customer facing position.

Catering

Here you will learn how to make cappuccinos and latte etc and serve lunches. You will work at the bar, helping to take and process orders for food and drinks.

Technical

Marketing

With this team you will be supporting the research in to targeted campaigns and learning about how to market events.

Education

During your time with the Education department you might be getting involved with the planning of one of our upcoming annual community projects or supporting our Farm Out programme for primary and secondary schools.