

CREATIVE ARTS VOLUNTEER

Introduction

Are you a creative individual and enjoy supporting older people's involvement in the creative arts? Why don't you get involved with developing and delivering Creative Arts Workshops for groups of varying sizes and abilities at our Open Age centres and out and about in the local community. Our Creative Arts volunteers share their passion and creative talents with interested older people to nurture confidence and develop the creative potential which can improve general health and wellbeing. All creative skills are welcome at Open Age, from jewellery making and needlework, to knitting and crochet, and drawing and painting.

Creative Arts Volunteer Role

- Support Open Doors members who have an interest in the creative arts
- Assist the team in delivering creative arts workshops, events and activities
- Enable individual learners to build confidence in their own creative potential

Creative Arts Volunteer Tasks

- Plan and lead workshops for Open Age members, in the Centre and also as a part of the Member Experience team Open Age Trip program
- Create, develop and evaluate the quality of new workshops with the Senior Co-Ordinator
- Ensure each participant is given stimulating creative activities to complete and the encouragement and support to achieve their true potential
- Ensure that all workshops are accessible to individuals with a wide range of abilities
- Help the Co-Ordinator set up rooms, create a welcoming atmosphere and provide refreshments for participants when required

Creative Arts Volunteer Commitment

- Minimum volunteering hours will be agreed depending on workshop frequency
- Volunteers will also attend three Open Age volunteer team meetings a year
- Feedback information on volunteering hours and workshops as necessary

The Open Creative Arts Volunteer is an unpaid, voluntary role, though any appropriate out-of-pocket expenses, including travel and subsistence will be reimbursed on production of the appropriate receipts. All volunteers receive an induction to the organisation, relevant training in the volunteer role and a volunteering reference after an appropriate period of satisfactory volunteering.