

# **ABOUT QUEER BRITAIN**



Queer Britain is the UK's first and only LGBTQ+ museum, and it's for all. Our warm and dedicated team opened the museum in our beautiful space in Kings Cross two years ago. Since then, we are proud to have won the Museum Association's Best Small Museum of the Year award and welcome over 31,000 visitors each year.

IMAGES EVENTS AND PROJECTS AT QUEER BRITAIN



**OUR VISION** To progress Britain's understanding of itself by giving queer stories and experiences their rightful place.

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OUR MISSION Queer Britain works to Reclaim and Preserve queer people's stories and objects and Inspire by celebrating and educating about LGBTQ+ lives, impact and culture.

OUR VALUES We are Openeveryone is welcome and respected. We are Courageous - we act with boldness and seek out the truth. We are Connected we are collaborative and connected to culture.

# **ABOUT OUR VISITORS**



THE NATIONAL LGBTQ+ MUSEUM

Our visitors are from all over the world, with stories in our guestbook representing the full spectrum of the LGBTQ+ community, as well as our allies throughout family, friends, and colleagues. We are for anyone.

# **OUR VISITORS**

We welcome around 31,000 people per year, from around the UK and all over the world. The average visit length is 45 minutes and 25% of our visitors make a purchase in our gift shop

IMAGES VISITOR HEGAXONS ON THE IMPORTANCE OF INCLUSION



### SOCIAL MEDIA

Instagram – 35.1k X (twitter) – 19k Facebook – 3.5k LinkedIn – 6.4k TikTok – 2.4k

### **EVENTS**

Our audience-centred events programme attracts an additional 1,000 visitors per year

## **E-NEWSLETTER**

Over 6,000 people receive our newsletters, with an open rate of 70%.

## **PATRONS**

We currently have 20 Patrons (and growing), each contributing between £2.5k and £25k per year in philanthropic support

## **MEMBERS**

We have over 230 members of the Museum, with an annual membership between £120 and £1,000

# **ABOUT THE ROLE**



We're looking for friendly, reliable volunteers to help create a great experience for everyone who visits the museum. As a Welcome Team Volunteer, you'll be the first point of contact for visitors, offering assistance, answering questions, and helping them get the most out of their visit.

We're specifically looking for volunteers to help run our newest temporary exhibition TOP by Claye Bowler. The exhibition explores the artist's seven-year journey through the UK's healthcare system to access gender-affirming top surgery. The exhibition will run from 10 September – 23 November but we ask all volunteers to continue volunteering afterwards if possible.

### DESIRABLE SKILLS

Open and enthusiastic attitude with a willingness to learn

Good interpersonal skills

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Good customer service skills

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A commitment to inclusivity and an understanding of cultural sensitivities

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An awareness of current discussion around LGBTQ+ communities

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Proactive with a positive nature

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Ability to work in a team, supporting other volunteers.

## **KEY DUTIES**

Welcoming visitors into the museum

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Helping with museum shop sales/stock – Invigilating in gallery spaces and managing flow of people round

gallery spaces

Answer any questions or queries

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Explaining how visitors can support the museum (join our mailing list; become a member; volunteering, crowdfunding, follow up online)

Help maintain the museum/gallery spaces

To ensure the safety of all our visitors

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Assisting on evening and day events (optional)

# WHAT WILL YOU GAIN?

Assisting with the running of the UK's first LGBTQ+ Museum

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To add to and develop your existing skills in a museum/heritage setting

A reference of voluntary employment from Queer Britain after 5 completed shifts.

Join a motivated, fun, and enthusiastic team

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Give back to the community

Meeting new people

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Invitations to exclusive volunteer specific events.

# **ABOUT THE ROLE**



## THE QUEER BRITAIN TEAM

During the day-to-day operations of a Welcome Team Volunteer you will work closely with the Welcome Team Coordinator, Welcome Team Leaders, Commercial Manager and other volunteers.

There may also be opportunities with other members of the Queer Britain team.

# WHAT SUPPORT AND TRAINING WILL I RECEIVE?

All volunteers will be inducted, trained, and supervised by staff and experienced volunteers.

Training will be organised by the Front of House team. You will be trained on all areas of the role during your first few volunteer shifts

#### **ACCESSIBILITY**

If you have any accessibility requirements please provide details in the "Accessibility requirements" section on the volunteer application form.

Any information you provide will be used by Queer Britain to monitor the demographic of candidates applying for roles and make improvements in line with our diversity and inclusion ambitions. This data will be treated in accordance with the Data Protection Act 2018.

# **EXPENSES**

As a volunteer you can claim daily travel expenses up to £15.00 with proof of purchase. Anyone volunteering for a full day can claim food expenses up to £5.00 with proof of purchase. Expenses requests will be processed at the end of the following month.



# **DETAILS AND HOW TO APPLY**



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### SHIFTS

We ask volunteers to do a minimum of one shift per month, but we're happy to be flexible around your availability.

We send a call-out with shifts every two weeks. It is up to you whether you would prefer to do a six and a half hour or three and a half hour shift.

We ask volunteers to complete a full day shift before applying for (optional) evening shifts so you can get training.

# MUSEUM DAY SHIFTS: Wednesday - Sunday

11.45pm - 3.15pm (3.5h)

2.45pm - 6.15pm (3.5h)

11:45am – 6:15pm (6.5h with 30-minute break)

# **EVENING EVENT SHIFTS:** Monday – Sunday

6pm -9pm (Times vary depending on event)

This may include helping with tours, guestlist, cloakroom, drinks, etc.



#### **HOW TO APPLY**

Please fill out the application form
Via our website:

https://queerbritain.org.uk/join-our-team

## APPLICATIONS CLOSE:

Wednesday 21 August

#### INDUCTION SESSION:

Tuesday 26 August\* (invites will be sent to successful applicants)

# **START DATE:**

From Wednesday 10 September onwards for successful applicants

#### WHERE?

Queer Britain, 2 Granary Square, London N1C 4BH.

\*If you cannot attend this induction session, please wait until the next round of volunteer applications open to apply.