



DREAMARTS

JOB DESCRIPTION

Job Title	Wellbeing Practitioner for EXPERIMENT
Responsible to	Programme Producer
Salary	£20 per hour directly employed (£23 p/h freelance)
Contract	Ongoing
Hours	6 hours during term-time from 10am
Schedule	<u>Induction and training day</u> Saturday 3 rd October <u>Term 1:</u> Sunday 11 th October – Sunday 6 th December (excluding 1st November) <u>Term 2:</u> Sunday 10 th January – 21 st March Plus opportunities to be part of school holiday projects

Primary Work Location City of Westminster College, 25 Paddington Green, W2 1NB

Purpose of the job

DreamArts fuses arts and therapeutic practice to support wellbeing. Our acclaimed EXPERIMENT Juniors programme engages 6-12 year olds to explore and unleash their talents, try things out, express themselves and grow their skills.

We're looking for a Wellbeing Practitioner who is skilled in supporting marginalised young people, able to build positive relationships, and confident in applying approaches that enable meaningful participation while responding to individual needs and interests.

Working alongside creative facilitators, the Wellbeing Practitioner will focus on identifying and removing barriers to participation, identifying appropriate support that responds to emerging needs and creates a sense of community.

Responsibilities

1. The focus of the role is to work with the Sunday Experiment Junior members and to support their participation in their creative sessions. This will include;
 - i. Helping those with particular needs
 - ii. Undertaking small-group or 1-on-1 support as necessary in liaison with the Facilitator and/or Programme Producer
 - iii. Noting any particular issues or support needs, making appropriate interventions, reporting them during daily debriefs and implementing any follow-up actions. This may include seeking advice and support from DreamArts Core Team.
2. Work alongside Facilitators within each session to ensure the wellbeing needs of members are met and that members are able to participate.

3. Receive training from DreamArts in a PACE approach to working with children and young people (being Playful, Accepting, Curious, Empathic) and use this as the framework for which to approach supporting members.
4. To be available to supervise food breaks, head-count at the beginning and end of each session and ensuring members are collected by appropriate parents/guardians.
5. To help ensure that the programme meets the quality standards set by DreamArts. This includes working as part of a professional team in the delivery of a high quality service, including the implementation of programme monitoring and evaluation systems as established by DreamArts
6. To attend a team session each term with the Therapeutic Consultant. These will be spaces for you to enhance your practice, develop your use of PACE, and can include exploring any approaches, interventions and techniques that you may have used with members or would like to use.
7. To attend regular team meetings, training and other appropriate meetings as directed by the Programme Producer.
8. To assist in the co-ordination of regular performances to showcase the achievement of participants.

Ideal Person Specification

1. Proven track record in working with children and young people to support their personal and social development.
2. Experience in being part of the delivery of performing arts work with children and young people (*desirable emphasis on devising*)
3. Experience of working in multi-cultural, inner-city environment
4. Experience of working with SEND and/or emotionally vulnerable young people
6. Ability to work successfully as a member of a team, working with others to ensure children and young people are empowered and inspired to participate, learn and enjoy
7. Understanding of boundaries and safeguarding
8. Working knowledge of health and safety
9. Enthusiastic, flexible, creative and positive
10. Fully committed, punctual and able to always prioritise DreamArts on relevant working days.
11. Strong communicator
12. Able to overcome obstacles, and to work under pressure

We believe young people benefit from seeing a diverse range of positive adult role models. As there are currently no male practitioners within our Sunday EXPERIMENT team, we particularly welcome applications from men, who are currently under-represented within this role. Selection will be based on skills, experience and suitability for the post.

HOW TO APPLY

Download and complete the Application Form.

Email the application form to our Programme Producer – angela@dreamarts.org.uk with the subject 'Wellbeing Practitioner', and cc graham@dreamarts.org.uk

Deadline is 12pm on Monday 31st August

In-person interviews will take place on Tuesday 8th and Wednesday 9th September.