



Revealing the Creek Deptford Creek: London's Survivor Waterway

Raybel Charters CIC is looking to recruit an experienced **community outreach and engagement coordinator** for a new community heritage project in Deptford, south London.

The project is being funded by the National Lottery Heritage Fund and will form part of Lewisham Borough of Culture 2022.

The role to be contracted on a self-employed basis as a fixed term contract.

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Deadline for applications – end Thursday 9th December

Interviews – week of 13th December

About the project

'Revealing the Creek' will be a community engagement project, exploring and sharing the heritage of Deptford Creek, with a main focus on the period of the 17th and 18th centuries when Deptford was central to the development of the English state's colonial trading routes. We will relate this heritage investigation to vital modern issues of trade, environment and global justice.

It will involve a programme of heritage research, to be undertaken by local young people, leading to the creation of a pop-up exhibition and immersive performance. The performance will be staged at the Cutty Sark in Greenwich and the Master Shipwright's Palace in Lewisham. A programme of walks and tours will also be run. A closing event will be held, to reflect on the project and open up community discussion about the future of Deptford Creek.

The project is being managed by Raybel Charters, working with arts and community placemaking company Arthouse Ventures, and the National Maritime Museum. It is supported by the two boroughs that meet at the Creek: LB Lewisham and RB Greenwich, with LB Lewisham endorsing the project as part of its programme for 'Borough of Culture 2022' especially because of its relation to the festival themes of climate change, sustainability and linking Deptford to the world. Other contributors will be the Creekside Discovery Centre, Greenwich Industrial Society, Museum of Slavery and Freedom (MoS&F London), the Master Shipwright's Palace, the archive services of LB Lewisham and Greenwich.

The role

Working closely with a Research and Archives Access manager, on secondment from the National Maritime Museum, you will: -

1. Co-ordinate engagement in the project of 16 local young people (14-20 years old) and 10 younger people (12-16 years old). The outreach activities to engage young people can be proposed and developed in post but are anticipated to include; -
 - A workshop event with Lewisham Youth First, for 16-18 year olds interested in participating in the project, including those with additional needs.
 - Visits to schools and community centres including Ahoy Centre, Pepys Community Library and Addy & Stanhope secondary school
2. Plan, schedule and co-ordinate a series of project visits for the young people, to the National Maritime Museum, the Creekside Discovery Centre, the Museum of Slavery and Freedom (MoS&F London), Lewisham and Greenwich Archives, the Master Shipwright's Palace and the Company of Watermen and Lightermen.
3. Facilitate the young people's involvement in using the research to create a pop-up exhibition and producing an immersive theatre performance with a focus on the themes of global trade justice and environment.
4. Assist a professional copywriter and creative producer in the creation of the pop-up exhibition.
5. Assist a professional theatre writer, director and production manager in the in the production of the immersive performances at the Cutty Sark and the Master Shipwright's Palace.
6. Organise a series of public events and activities: -
 - 6 x public walking tours on the heritage of Deptford Creek;
 - 6 x public inter-tidal walks on the ecology of the Creek;
 - An end of project event at 'The Old Joinery' - a reflective day looking back on the project; and forward to the potential future for Deptford Creek.
7. Monitor and evaluate interpretation activities including gathering project data and reporting on achievement of milestones and targets
8. Undertake necessary administrative tasks including maintaining project budgets, ordering resources, booking accommodation, organising visits, and making regular reports to the project director.
9. Support child and vulnerable adult safeguarding
10. Work collaboratively with the wider project team.
11. Fulfil all relevant Health and Safety and Child/Vulnerable Adult Protection requirements

Duration and hours: The contract is for a 12 month period. The role requires flexibility and it will be necessary to work some weekends and evenings.

Fee: A fee of £9,200 is offered. Contractors will be expected to take responsibility for their own National Insurance and Tax liabilities and are expected to hold personal liability insurance. The post is based on a model of a 0.4 full-time equivalent (equivalent to two days per week) over a 46-week year, with the pattern of work subject to negotiation.

Line Manager: To project director

Location: The post holder will be home based but will be required to travel to locations in Lewisham and Greenwich. Reasonable travel costs will be met.

Person Specification

Raybel Charters' core values are to be authentic, supportive, resilient, collaborative, inclusive and passionate in everything we do.

We actively seek to represent the diversity of the communities where we are working.

Requirement	Essential	Desirable
Education and Training		
Knowledge of volunteering, learning, interpretation, and access issues	x	
Experience		
Experience of working with young people	x	
Experience of delivering community engagement activities.	x	
Experience of effective collaborative working with external partners		x
Experience of or interest in local London / maritime heritage		x
Knowledge, Skills & Abilities		
Good ICT / social media skills	x	
Effective interpersonal, networking and communication skills.	x	
Ability to take initiative, identify priorities and plan activities	x	
Knowledge of local communities in and around Deptford		x
Personal Qualities		
Ability to self-motivate and organise and balance priorities	x	
Enthusiastic, approachable	x	
Prepared to work flexibly including occasional work outside core hours.	x	
Other		
Up to date DBS check	x	

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