

Volunteer Role Profile for Buildings & Facilities Lead

Do you have a passion for heritage buildings and would like to get involved in caring for one? Do you have skills and experience in buildings and facilities management and can offer some time as a volunteer?

If so then you may be the person we're looking for!

We're looking for an enthusiastic and skilled volunteer to help our newly formed charity to look after and provide access to our special building of 36 Lime Steet, located in the Ouseburn Valley in Newcastle upon Tyne. 36 Lime Street

You'll help us ensure we care for the heritage building, ensuring it is safe for users and enabling us to improve access to engage with wider audiences.

What is 36 Lime Street

36 Lime Street, the oldest and one of the largest artist studio group in the North East, housing over 50 artists, makers and designers. This diverse mix of creative talent includes sculptors, painters, glass artists, jewellers, ceramicists, textile artists, furniture makers, visual artists, musicians, puppeteers, designers, graphic designers, photographers and more.

Formerly a flax mill, the building is now home to over 50 artists, makers and designers across five floors. It was set up in 1983 when Mike Mould created a space for artists in the derelict warehouse.

36 Lime Street's guiding principle is to provide secure, affordable studio spaces for rent for artists and other creative businesses, and in doing so to contribute towards the regeneration of the building and the area.

In 2022 36 Lime Street became a registered charity, with the charitable objectives of advancing the appreciation of the arts for the benefit of the public. As a newly formed charity 36 Lime Street is planning an exciting engagement programme, to enable a wider range of people to benefit. This will involve more people accessing our building.



What would the role involve

The role of Volunteer Buildings & Facilities Lead would work alongside our Studio & Buildings Manager, Fire Officer, Building Officer and their teams.

The role will lead on the following tasks:

- Oversee the fire regulation requirements of the building, liaising with the Fire Service and external contractors.
- Ensure our tenants and users of the building understand the safety requirements of using the building.
- Provide updates to the 36 Lime Street Board of Trustees on any buildings related matter.
- Develop plans and technical requirements for buildings repairs and improvements.
- Engage with and procure external contractors on buildings related matters.

The role will be involved in helping us:

- Form future plans for improved access within the building.
- Plan conservation improvements to the building.
- Scope possible funding for works needed, working alongside our Capital Fundraising Team.

About you

We estimate that the role would require up to 2 hours of time a week, consisting of regular meetings with our tenants and external contractors at 36 Lime Street. We will work with you to ensure this fits with your work or other commitments.

In order to carry out the above tasks you are likely to have experience in working with heritage buildings, particularly those open to the public. You will have up to date knowledge of building requirements, particularly health and safety and fire regulations.

You will want to be involved in a small, volunteer led charity, to make a difference in providing access and engagement to art and a special heritage building.



What you would receive

- You will be part of the small team at an exciting time for 36 Lime Street, specifically helping us to care for and provide access to the magnificent heritage building.
- You will be provided with the necessary induction and training, to perform the role well and safely.
- Expenses are offered to cover agreed travel costs between home and place of volunteering.
- We can offer flexibility around time commitment and duties.

How to apply

If you are interested in applying for this volunteer role or would like an initial chat to find out more, please email info@36limestreet.co.uk, with the Subject Title 'Volunteer Buildings & Facilities Lead' and we will be in touch.

Thank you for taking time to read our role profile and we hope to hear from you soon!

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