

Project Curator "Exhibitions", British Museum, London

British museum

Application deadline: Jan 22, 2023

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The British Museum is seeking a Project Curator to support the delivery of an exhibition in collaboration with a contemporary artist. The exhibition will see the artist select objects, both historical and contemporary, from across the British Museum's collections and create their own works in response.

Part-time

Fixed-term

£27,493 per annum

The postholder will work closely with the Lead Curator and rest of the project team in the development and delivery of the exhibition and associated publication. The British Museum particularly encourages applications from candidates who are likely to be underrepresented in our workforce.

Key areas of responsibility:

- To work as a core member of the Project Team, assisting the Lead Curator and Project Manager as well as liaising with other key internal stakeholders including Learning and Audience, Loans, Marketing, Communications, Advancement, Operations, BM Company.
- To manage and file project documentation and correspondence. To obtain necessary information on loans (dimensions, special condition requirements, credit lines and copyright) through liaising with lenders and International and Departmental loans officers.
- To compile and manage a digital database with object list and images and provide regular object list updates to the Project Team.
- To track and monitor the movement of BM objects for the exhibition between departments (such as conservation and photography).
- To assist the Lead Curator with background research, picture research and picture acquisition for the exhibition and publication, and to coordinate new photography and manage photographic orders.

About you:

- Education: degree in a relevant subject especially history and/or history of art or similar, or equivalent experience.
- Specific technical/professional skills and experience: high proficiency in Microsoft Office including Word, Excel, and PowerPoint, and managing digital imagery; excellent communication skills in spoken and written English; excellent research skills; good writing, proofing and editing skills.

- Work experience: museum experience; exhibition project experience; research experience.
- Specific project skills: organisational skills, particular attention to detail and accuracy; assessing priorities and meeting deadlines; adaptable, resourceful and imaginative.
- Specific interpersonal skills: excellent team player; thrives on challenge; diplomatic, strong communication skills at all levels.

The Museum offers a competitive benefits package including:

- Membership of the civil service pension scheme
- Free entry to a wide range of museums and exhibitions
- Participation in private and public Museum activities, including talks by leading curators from around the world and behind-the-scenes opportunities to learn how museums care for and manage their extraordinary collections
- Generous annual leave allowance
- Interest-free travel, bicycle and rental deposit loans
- Professional and personal development opportunities
- Employee Assistance Programme
- Discounts on food and gift shop purchases

Application deadline: 22nd January 2023 at 12:00pm (midday)

If you have any additional needs that we should be aware of in order to support you with your application, please provide details to bmrecruit@britishmuseum.org.

For more details please see https://bmrecruit.ciphr-irecruit.com//templates/CIPHR/jobdetail_4385.aspx

Reference:

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