

## Learning Volunteer Role Description

### What is a learning volunteer?

As a learning volunteer you will play a key role in helping children and young people to explore the Museum and its collections during learning sessions. You will support the learning officer by assisting with the delivery of sessions for a broad range of ages, from early years to post-16 students.

At the Museum, we run sessions for under-fives and their families and schools sessions for groups of varying ages. Our curriculum linked school sessions cover topics such as Native Americans and the American West. During the learning sessions we aim to give children and young people fun, memorable learning experiences, which will inspire their curiosity.

A fantastic opportunity for people who have past experience in education or would like to develop skills in this area.

### What's in it for you?

- Work with the learning officer to facilitate learning sessions
- Gain an understanding of running learning sessions for different audiences, from early years to post-16 groups
- Make friends
- Learn about American history and culture, explore the Museum's collection, and attend training

### What's involved?

- Helping to facilitate, set up, and pack away learning sessions at the Museum
- Creating a friendly and supportive environment to help children and young people learn
- Assisting with the delivery of learning sessions
- Attending training sessions
- Becoming familiar with, and following, the Museum's Health and Safety and Child Safeguarding Policies, this will include being DBS checked by the Museum.
- Maintaining a high standard of customer service
- Moving around the Museum and gardens with learning groups

### This role will suit people who...

- Have a friendly, enthusiastic approach and a willingness to try new things
- Enjoy working with children and young people
- Are flexible
- Have excellent verbal communication skills and experience of communicating with children and young people
- Enjoy being part of a team and work well with others
- Will enjoy learning about American history and culture — a prior knowledge is not required

### Time commitment:

The learning volunteer role is flexible. Ideally we would like to you volunteer 2 mornings a month. Learning sessions normally run 9am-1pm Wednesday to Friday.

### How to apply

Please complete a learning volunteer application form. An application form can be found on our website: <http://americanmuseum.org/support-us/volunteer/>

To discuss the role, please phone Ellie Wallace, Learning Officer, on 01225 823014, or email [ellie.wallace@americanmuseum.org](mailto:ellie.wallace@americanmuseum.org)