

Arts Youth Worker – Music Production*

Job title	Arts Youth Worker – Music Production	Salary:	Up £10.55 an hour
Reporting to:	Arts Coordinator	Holidays:	33 days including bank holidays
Location:	Unitas Youth Zone Burnt Oak Barnet	Hours:	up to 26 hours per week, evenings and weekends. *Multiple positions available

The Person: Do you want to use your musical and creative talents to make the lives of young people better? We are looking for someone who is as passionate about music as they are about growing and developing young people? Are you vibrant, creative and committed to supporting young people and able to nurture their talent in Music production? Are you passionate about giving young people a platform for their views and a place where they can express themselves, while opening their eyes to music?

Key Relationships: Core Management team, Youth Work Managers, OnSide, External Stakeholders, Young People and Parents.

To apply: **Interviews TBC**
To apply please complete the Sessional application form, which can be found on our website. Your completed form should be sent by email to Unitas Youth Zone’s Business Administration Manager: applications@unitasypouthzone.org

Job Purpose:

The Arts, alongside sport and Youth Work is at the heart of the Unitas offer to young people. The Arts offer is wide ranging and includes visual arts, music, media, dance and drama. As a member of the Performing Arts Team, leading on the coaching and teaching in Film, Media and Radio, you will be key in ensuring young people have access to an exciting and creative Film/Media/Radio programme that will be challenging, stimulating, fun, engaging and developmental. You will be involved in teaching the fundamentals of a single or range of arts activities enabling young people to explore their creativity and grow their skills.

Within the arts team we are looking for a range of talented youth arts workers to make up a team with a diverse set of skills and expertise, who are also passionate about working with young people. Ideally, you will have experience delivering one or more of the following arts

- Film
- Photography
- Radio
- Animation
- Drama
- Performance

Context of the post:

OnSide Youth Zones, established in 2008, has been growing rapidly and has ambitious plans to create 100 Youth Zones in towns and cities, giving young people somewhere safe and inspiring to go in their leisure time. Youth Zones are amazing places: accessible, vibrant, welcoming, fun and caring are just some of the words used by young people to describe their Youth Zone. Unitas, opening in Summer 2019, will be no exception, and is part of the OnSide network of Youth Zones.

Many young people, particularly those from socio-economically deprived areas, face an endless maze of boredom, loneliness and temptation, with nowhere to go and a lack of inspiring and productive activities to occupy their leisure time. This can lead to negative impacts on their health, educational attainment and career prospects. These are the young people that will shape the country's future prospects. It is this paradox that lies at the heart of OnSide's drive to establish a national network of Youth Zones; a proven model of youth service provision that is aligned to community needs and supported by cross-sector funding. Youth Zones give young people affordable access to a broad range of sport, arts and employability services, designed to help them lead active, positive lives and raise their aspirations for themselves and their community.

Unitas Youth Zone is centrally located, dedicated to young people and makes a bold statement about the importance of giving young people high quality places to go in their leisure time. Open 7 days a week including school holidays, the Youth Zone's purpose is to help young people grow to be happy, healthy and successful adults. The state-of-the-art £6.5 million building will provide young people with access to a range

of activities, all offering young people the opportunity to try new things, meet new friends and gain support from friendly, warm and positive staff and volunteers. The facilities include a 3G pitch, a gym, sports hall and recreation area, and dance, arts, music and media suites.

Find out more by watching

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Yb18h1TPRNE>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sZCMoDYeFTQ>

.....it might just change your life!

Duties and Responsibilities - General

- Be a role model for young people and present a positive “can do” attitude
- Take personal responsibility for own actions
- Commit to a culture of continuous improvement
- Work within the performance framework of Unitas Youth Zone and OnSide
- Represent Unitas Youth Zone positively and effectively in all dealings with internal colleagues, and external partners
- Comply with all policies and procedures, with particular reference to safeguarding, codes of conduct health and safety and equality and diversity to ensure all activities are accessible
- Represent Unitas Youth Zone positively and effectively in all dealings with internal colleagues, and external partners
- To be alert to issues of safeguarding and child protection, ensuring the welfare and safety of Youth Zone members is promoted and safeguarded, and to report any child protection concerns to the designated Child Protection Officers using the safeguarding policies, procedures and practice (training to be provided)
- To assist with any promotional activities and visits that take place at the Youth Zone
- To actively promote the Youth Zone and positively contribute towards increasing Youth Zone membership
- To adhere to The Unitas Youth Zone policies at all times, with particular reference to Health and Safety, Safeguarding and Equal Opportunities

Duties and Responsibilities – Detailed

- Together with the Junior / Senior Club Managers and Arts Coordinator, develop and implement a programme that is exciting, challenging and ever-changing
- To listen to young people and create a seasonal media and radio programme
- The role is 100% face to face delivery with young people
- To work directly with children and young people to develop their social skills
- To directly deliver a high-quality programme of activity that is exciting, safe, varied, innovative, developmental and directly responds to the diverse needs, concerns and interests of the members
- Assist young people to show off their talent
- To listen to young people and create an exciting media and radio programmes
- Introduce young people to the various forms of the media and radio arts industry such as production of radio shows, photography and creating short films
- To have great energy to establish positive relationships with young people and the wider youth work team and visitors to the Youth Zone
- To respond to the needs of the young people through the arts
- To work flexibly to ensure the needs of the members are met, including disadvantaged children and young people and those with disabilities or additional needs
- To ensure that the members maintain a high standard of behaviour and discipline during sessions by making the area a hub of activity and fun
- To ensure the participation of young people in activities and that their ideas contribute fully in the delivery of activities in a safe way
- To encourage attendance and participation in arts activities, particularly by young people who do not usually participate in art
- To assist with any promotional activities and visits that take place at the Youth Zone
- To actively promote the Youth Zone and positively contribute towards increasing Youth Zone membership
- To promote and safeguard the welfare of children and young people at all times
- To be able to think on your feet with minimal equipment
- Ability to enthuse others including staff, volunteers, young people
- To make the environment fun and the place to be
- To be an active member of the team and operate in line with the values and principles of Unitas Youth Zone
- Carry out any other reasonable duties as requested by management

Person Specification

Selection Criteria* A = Application Form I = Interview T = Test/Personality Profile	Essential or Desirable	Method of Assessment
Experience		
Experience of working with groups of young people aged 8 to 19, or up to aged 25 with a disability	Essential	A & I
Experience of working with young people from diverse backgrounds and with challenging needs	Essential	A & I
Experience of delivering performing arts sessions	Essential	A & I
Experience of delivering events / displays and performances	Desirable	A & I
Experience of working with young people with additional needs and disabilities	Desirable	A & I
Experience of team working and working alongside volunteers	Essential	A & I
Qualifications		
Level 2 Youth Work Qualification	Desirable	A
Relevant media and film, photography or radio or production qualification(s)	Essential	A & I
Skills		
Ability to deliver high quality performing arts programme with children and young people who face social exclusion, disadvantage and disaffection and manage such a group	Essential	A & I
Ability to teach and coach in Film, Media and or Radio	Essential	A & I
Able to work as part of a team and under own initiative	Essential	A & I
Able to plan and evaluate programs of activity including production of session plans and evaluations	Essential	A & I
Able to communicate effectively with young people, parents, team members and members of the public	Essential	A & I
Ability to engage and build positive relationships with young people including disengaged and disadvantaged young people	Essential	A & I
Knowledge		
Understand the principles of working with children and young people, the issues affecting their lives and knowledge of their needs	Desirable	A & I
Knowledge of health and safety, diversity awareness and safeguarding best practice	Essential	A & I
Basic knowledge of arts pathways	Desirable	A & I
Special Requirements		
A willingness to work unsociable hours	Essential	A & I

The ability and willingness to travel to events in the region and beyond	Essential	A & I
DBS clearance and committed to Safeguarding children	Essential	A & I

Unitas Youth Zone are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and vulnerable groups. This post is subject to an enhanced DBS check.

The strength of the OnSide Network of Youth Zone is the diversity of its people, we place huge value on different people doing things in different ways and we welcome applications from what might be considered none traditional backgrounds. The one thing we all have in common is our desire to raise the aspirations of young people across the country.

ONSIDE YOUTH ZONES NETWORK VALUES



YOUNG PEOPLE FIRST

Young people are at the heart of everything we do, inspiring and challenging us to deliver services that exceed their needs and challenge them to be the best they can be.

EXCELLENCE

We encourage ourselves and each other to be best we can be through continuous learning and improvement, and a focus on finding solutions.



RESPECT

We act with honesty and integrity, celebrating diversity across the whole organisation and caring about each other, our young people and the Youth Zone environment.



AMBITIOUS

We are passionate and driven in taking on new challenges, embracing new ideas, and exceeding our ambitions for young people, the Youth Zones and our local communities.

COLLABORATIVE

We will create and nurture strong, creative partnerships, working together to achieve better results and outcomes for young people.

