

Volunteering at

JANE AUSTEN'S HOUSE

Regency Stitcher Role Description



About this role

Create and care for fun and imaginative costumes for visitors of all ages to enjoy and explore. Jane Austen's House has dress up outfits, as well as costumes on display as part of our museum interpretations. Bring to life new costumes or make-do-and-mend already loved outfits!

What's Involved?

- Volunteer in the comfort of your own home, whilst being part of a team
- Sew from patterns to create new dresses for family activities (all materials provided)
- Keep our much-loved costumes in good condition throughout our busy year
- Work at your own pace, in your free time
- Thinking about the needs of all visitors, including disabled people and families.
- Getting to know health and safety and evacuation procedures
- Following the JAH code of conduct

How much time would you need to give?

Required on an ad-hoc basis, Regency Stitchers work off site

This role will suit you if you....

- Have experience of dress making, including using patterns.
- Have access to a sewing machine
- Love history, and the idea of having a hands on role support Jane Austen's House

- Have a great attention to detail, and enjoy being quite precise
- Love Jane Austen! (This is actually not essential, but having a strong interest in English Literature, the Regency period or sharing stories from the past is important. You will pick up lots of facts and information through volunteering).
- Would like to join a busy, lively and supportive team and be part of sharing the stories of Jane Austen's House

Things to know....

- This role is under the direct supervision of the Director or Collections and Interpretation Manager
- The level of work can vary throughout the year

How to apply

If this sounds like the right volunteer role for you, we would love to hear from you.

We ask all new volunteers to fill in a brief application to tell us a little bit more about you and why you think this role is suitable for you.

Please send completed applications, or if you have any questions, please contact our Head of Commercial & Visitor Experience

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Thank you