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**POST OF FREELANCE EDUCATOR (MONTHLY SATURDAY ARCHITECTURE CLUBS)
AT SIR JOHN SOANE'S MUSEUM
October 2018 - July 2019**

We are recruiting a freelancer educator to join our monthly Saturday architecture club team. You will plan and deliver the New Architects' Club for children aged 11 – 15, and assist with the delivery of the Young Architects' Club for ages 7 – 11.

Background

Sir John Soane's Museum is the idiosyncratic house-museum of the great Regency architect Sir John Soane (1753 – 1837) and still displays his collection of antiquities, furniture, models and paintings in the same state in which they were left at the time of his death, as well as preserving over 30,000 architectural drawings and a fine Library.

The Museum's Learning Department provides a wide range of programming for individuals, families, schools, universities and community groups. Soane's intention to create a resource for the study of art and architecture provides our main educational objective. In addition to school and family activities, the department provides an informal learning programme in the form of thriving architecture clubs for children and young teenagers.

The Young Architects and New Architects Clubs at Sir John Soane's Museum

Our architecture clubs run on the first Saturday of each month, October – July (with no session in April). The YAC and NAC clubs are popular and often over-subscribed, with many children continuing through YAC into NAC and building on their skills and knowledge over an extended period of time.

The Young Architects Club (YAC)

The Young Architects' Club, for children aged 7-10, runs from 10am until 12pm. It offers an introduction to engagement with architecture and the built environment, as well as developing children's creative, drawing and modelling skills. Children coming to YAC have usually already shown an interest in art and design at school and enjoy developing and applying this in a new context. This year the YACs have been investigating different materials and how architects use them, learning about their properties through exploring the museum and local area and building their own structures. This club is run by an existing freelancer.

The New Architects Club (NAC)

The New Architects' Club, for children aged 11-15, runs from 1.30pm until 4.30pm. The NAC members attending this club are either continuing from their time in YAC or are looking for ways to extend and develop their interest in art and design outside the classroom. The club's main aim is to give members insights into architecture and its related fields that will extend their opportunities in later life. This year, the NACs have been looking at interior design and the considerations architects must take into account when making homes that are both functional and stylish. They have produced designs for a revamped Sir John Soane's Museum, which they will soon build models of and pitch to a judging panel.



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Job particulars

This freelance position holds responsibility for the planning and delivering of the New Architects Club at the Museum, and supporting the delivery of the Young Architects Club.

Working hours on the first Saturday of each month the club runs will be from 9.30 am – 4.45 pm, with a break for lunch between sessions.

The dates for the club in 2018 – 19 are as follows:

Saturday 6th October
Saturday 3rd November
Saturday 1st December
Saturday 5th January
Saturday 2nd February
Saturday 2nd March
Saturday 4th May
Saturday 1st June
Saturday 6th July

The successful candidate will be expected to be available for all of these dates. Please note that no flexibility is available.

In addition, the successful candidate will be expected to attend 3 days of collaborative planning with the architecture club team in advance of the October start date. These dates will be discussed on appointment of the freelancer educator.

Fees and Expenses

The day rate for this role is £250 for the two sessions (which includes preparation, delivery and clearing away). The fee is inclusive of VAT. In addition, a fee of to be agreed will be available for the 3 days of collaborative preparation required for the 9 sessions.

Person specification

- Experience of working with children and teenagers in an informal or formal learning environment
- Good knowledge of architecture, design and the built environment
- A creative approach to planning informal learning activities for children and teenagers aged 11 - 15
- Experience of working in a cultural setting or school preferred
- Knowledge of, and enthusiasm for, the museum and its collection
- Excellent communication skills and the ability to work well as part of a small team
- An understanding of the varied opportunities for participation within a museum or gallery context for children and teenagers



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Application Procedure

Applications in the form of a curriculum vitae and supporting letter (no longer than one A4 side), together with the name and addresses of two referees, should be sent by email to the *Schools and Families Officer*, Rhiannon Litterick, on rlitterick@soane.org.uk.

The closing date for applications is Wednesday 18th July at 3pm and interviews will take place on Tuesday 24th July. Candidates invited to interview will be asked to prepare a short task in advance.

This post requires an Enhanced DBS.