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| Classic Boat Museum Volunteer Role Outline Curatorial Assistant |
| **Location** You will be based at the Gallery in East Cowes. There may be times when we ask if you would like to go across to the boat shed to undertake specific tasks. |
| **Times, days and frequency we’d like you to be available** This is a flexible role which you can carry out regularly by committing to a specific weekly session or you may wish to attend the museum less frequently. More sessions will be available if you can commit to them. This role can also be combined with additional roles we have on offer such as Front of House. We also hold volunteer coffee mornings, celebration events and training days. |
| **Line management**Our volunteers are managed by the Chair/Deputy Chair. You will also have a key volunteer contact within your area who you can turn to for advice and support about your role. These ‘senior’ volunteers have been with us for a number of years and are a friendly face to help you within the day to day running of our museum. |
| **Purpose of role**To support our curatorial team to bring alive the stories of our maritime island.  |
| **Tasks involved in this role**Working with the curatorial team to choose objects to display within our exhibition spaces.Use your creativity to influence how these objects are arranged and displayed within the museum and how their stories are brought alive for the public through written and visual interpretation. Ensure that such information is kept up to date and that displays are safe and still relevant to our audiences. |
| **Skills and abilities**You do not need to know about boats or yachting! An enthusiasm for heritage and history would be useful but the most important part is that you want to bring museum artefacts alive by telling the stories behind our objects. Your creativity may mean you have an eye for detail or an understanding of colour and art. You may just love museums! If you do have any other specialist knowledge or skills that we might be able to use, then please do mention them to us. |
| **How we will support you**We will offer training in research techniques and digital skills. You will find that our volunteers are a friendly and supportive group who are passionate about our museum and are integral to its success. Volunteers take an active role in decisions relating to how our museum is run and are able to get involved in exhibitions and events throughout the year. As a volunteer with us you will receive complementary tea and coffee whilst volunteering and you and your family will receive free entry to the museum.We offer opportunities to take part in training and hold regular volunteer events to say thank you for supporting us. |
| **Further Information:**If you are interested in this or any other role, please contact us to discuss on:Telephone: 07738 990 160Email: victoria@maritimeisle.orgWe look forward to hearing from you. |