

Museum Players (Volunteer Actors)

Join the Bradford Police Museum Players and be a part of history!

We are seeking talented and passionate volunteer actors to bring our historic trial by jury court reenactments to life. Our trial by jury events held in the City Hall Victorian courtroom are immensely popular with the public and we are looking to expand our offer. If you love history, theatre, and engaging with the public, this is the perfect opportunity for you. As a member of the Bradford Police Museum Players, you will play a vital role in educating and entertaining audiences from all walks of life. Apply today and help us make history come alive!

Summary of the core role element:

The Bradford Police Museum Players are a team of skilled volunteer actors responsible for delivering engaging, historically accurate performances in our trial by jury court re-enactments. As a member of this team, you will portray various roles such as judges, lawyers, witnesses, and the accused, bringing to life the dramatic stories of past legal battles.

Key Responsibilities:

- Perform in historic trial by jury court re-enactments, engaging the audience and encouraging participation.
- Study and accurately portray assigned roles, demonstrating a strong understanding of the historical context.
- Collaborate with other actors and museum staff to ensure seamless and immersive performances.
- Interact with audience members during and after the performances to enhance their experience and knowledge of the historical events.
- Attend rehearsals, script readings, and other preparatory sessions to maintain a high-quality performance standard.
- Maintain the appearance, cleanliness, and safety of performance spaces and equipment.







Open to the public every Friday & Saturday from 10:00 - 16:00



Role Profile

Qualifications & Skills:

- Proven acting experience, preferably in a historical or educational context.
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills, with the ability to engage and captivate an audience.
- Strong understanding of history, particularly legal history.
- Ability to work well in a team and adapt to a dynamic working environment.
- Flexibility to work evenings and weekends as needed.

Benefits:

- Capped travel expenses are paid to volunteers.
- The opportunity to work in a unique and historic setting.
- Engaging with diverse audiences and making history accessible and enjoyable for all.
- Being part of a passionate and dedicated team.
- Opportunity to improve your interpersonal & acting skills in a proven setting.

Time Commitment

Volunteers must be available to work at our special events, which are usually scheduled once or twice per month, along with the occasional private events that we run. This is an unpaid position; however, successful applicants will gain valuable experience in public speaking, acting, customer service and historical reenactment while contributing to the preservation of Bradford's history during this exciting cultural event.







Training & Support

All museum volunteers receive a museum orientation and overview of their role when they start volunteering with us. A full induction is provided upon completion of a mutually agreed trial period. Ongoing, role specific training is provided in-house.

There are occasional additional opportunities to attend training provided by third parties, where required.

About The Bradford Police Museum...

The Bradford Police Museum is an award winning independent museum, accredited with Arts Council England and a registered charity based in City Hall, Centenary Square in the centre of Bradford. Voted one of the best small museums in the country by The Times in 2023 and Winner of TripAdvisor Travellers' Choice award 2022.

The Bradford Police Museum is a fascinating destination for anyone interested in the history of law enforcement. Located in the heart of Bradford, the museum showcases the evolution of policing in the city, from the early days of the watchmen to the modern police force. Visitors can explore the museum's extensive collection of artifacts, including uniforms weapons, and vehicles, and learn about the brave men and women who served in the Bradford Department over the years. Whether you're a history buff or simply curious about the inner workings of law enforcement, the Bradford Police Museum is a must-visit destination.

Next Steps...

For more information about the role, or to receive an application form, please email the Museum Administrator at volunteering@bradfordpolicemuseum.com!





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