

# The Future Is Ours

## Symposium Internships

The Horsfall at 42 Street is holding a National Symposium in May 2024 at Manchester Central Library and other Manchester venues to explore the uses of creativity for young people and how offering experimental, non-judgemental creative spaces and projects can support people's wellbeing and mental health. We are offering multiple paid internship roles to people aged 18-26. So, if you have an interest in the arts, mental health and event planning we want to hear from you!

**What is the intern role going to involve?** As an intern you will work with The Horsfall team and young people to assist with the planning, creation and delivery of the final symposium event. This will include creative activities, talks, films, exhibitions of artwork and street performances and should you feel a strong connection to one or more of these areas we can support you to develop and gain experience in that particular area of work. Support might also include general planning, marketing and administration tasks.

**What is a symposium?** A symposium is basically a conference / meeting to discuss a particular subject. It's more geared to sharing ideas and meeting likeminded people, rather than just being presented with them. Most conferences are dull and we want ours to stand out, be creative, interactive and full of new thinking, young people's voice and art work.

**What is the purpose of the symposium?** The purpose of the symposium is to help leaders and decision makers in Mental health (CAMHS and inpatients) Social Care, Education and VCSE (voluntary organisations) better understand the benefits of creative spaces and youth-led projects.

**Why are we offering intern roles?** We want young people involved in our symposium and wider work and we want to pay for their time.

**Who can apply?** Anyone aged 18 – 26 accessing or those who have previously accessed 42<sup>nd</sup> Street / Horsfall support.

**What is the rate of pay?** Day rate of £90 for 7.5 hours, in line with Real Living Wage. The work does not have to be done a day at a time and can be made up of hours thought out the duration of the project. We know many young people have other commitments and we want to ensure that we offer flexible working.

**When will the work be undertaken?** The symposium will be held mid-May 2024 so work can be undertaken in a flexible manner between February and May.

**How will I be paid?** You will be paid through sending in monthly invoices (we'll let you know how to do this).

**Is there sick pay?** Unfortunately, not due to the nature of the contract. We will however support you to undertake the work. Full details of the role are set out in a contract should you be successful.

**Will support/ training be given** Yes, we want to support you to make the symposium its best yet and also support you to develop skills and make connections.

**What will the interview process be?** –We need to ensure open transparency and equality when interviewing so will have set questions. We do also want to get the best from you so will try and make sure interview conditions suite you and we aim to create a safe supportive environment where you can feel safe and able to tell us all about yourself.

**Do I need to have prior skills?** These will help but we also feel that attitude, enthusiasm and perhaps some transferrable skills are also very beneficial. Please do get in touch if you'd like to know more or ask how we can help you make the most of your skills to apply.

**If I don't get the intern role can I still be involved?** Yes, we would love to offer more roles and know there may be lots of people applying for these roles. We want to have you involved and can look at ensuring that we help you to learn skills, develop links, grow confidence.

## **HOW TO APPLY**

Please send:

- Written or recorded statement (audio or filmed) about why you would like the role, what you will bring to it and what you hope to learn from it
- CV of previous work or projects
- Contact details of 2 people who you have worked with or undertaken projects with who can provide a reference

If you would like support with any of these aspects please do let us know as we are happy to help.

Send applications to: [rod.kippen@42ndstreet.org.uk](mailto:rod.kippen@42ndstreet.org.uk)

**Closing Date:** We will be reviewing applications and interviewing throughout January and will close the job advert once we have appointed to the roles.