

ECHC Arts Volunteer – Art Cart Support (Wards)

About Edinburgh Children's Hospital Charity (ECHC)

ECHC is the charity that supports hospital and healthcare settings for children across Edinburgh and the Lothians. We provide distractions, help pay to make spaces more welcoming and child friendly, support families and so much more. We aim to make the time that children spend in hospital that little bit easier, less scary, and more fun.

Volunteer Role Description

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| Role Title | Arts Volunteer – Art Cart Support (Wards) |
| Purpose of Role | <p>To support and assist ECHC Arts Coordinator to deliver the Art Cart programme to children and young people within wards in the RHCYP.</p> <p>Art Cart sessions will be planned by the Arts Coordinator/ Artists.</p> <p>This volunteer role is to support the sessions/workshops, and support children to engage in creating art.</p> |
| Location | RHCYP (wards) |
| Hours | <p>Thursdays – 1pm - 3pm (weekly – allocated time for Art Cart)</p> <p>Initially this role is for a period of 2 months with the potential to extend. Regular commitment is required.</p> |
| Tasks | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Support Arts Coordinator to deliver weekly Art workshops on the wards using bespoke Art Cart trolley. ▪ Liaising with staff to identify children and young people who would like to participate. ▪ Assisting Arts Coordinator/ Artist to push Art Cart around. ▪ Visiting children and young people on the hospital wards ▪ Feeding back to the arts team regarding young people who might benefit from additional input. ▪ Assist with stocking and tidying Art Cart where needed. ▪ Support with infection control, a requirement of working in healthcare. ▪ Contribute to evaluation at end of session. |
| Supervision | Rosalind Sanderson – Arts Coordinator |
| Person Specification | <p>We are looking for fun, friendly, and approachable volunteers with the following skills and experience:</p> <p>Essential</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Organised and Proactive approach ▪ Excellent communication skills Ability to adapt approach to young people with a variety of access needs ▪ Reliable ▪ Team Player <p>Desirable:</p> |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Experience working with children and young people▪ Enthusiasm and passion for participatory art▪ Confidence in a clinical/therapeutic environment▪ Understanding of issues impacting children and young people▪ An interest in building up experience of Arts Facilitation in a healthcare environment. <p>A PVG Disclosure check will be required for this role (organised by ECHC)</p> |
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