

Assistant Curator - Musical Instrument Collections

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Assistant Curator - Musical Instrument Collections (NMS008/54)

Fixed Term Contract until 31 May 2010

£19,594 - £23,710 per annum (under review) plus pension

This temporary post will assist with the Royal Museum Project as it relates to the World Cultures collections, applying your expert knowledge of the subject area and working within an exhibition team to assist on the development of a new performance gallery as part the Royal Museum Project.

You will be expected to undertake independent but exhibition focussed research, and have a role in managing the specific collection and creating documentation on it, to help collections management and other curatorial staff.

Duties may include aspects of relocating the collections, loans work and aspects relating to new acquisitions processes.

You will have a degree (or equivalent) in a relevant subject such as ethnomusicology or musicology, plus relevant work experience in a museum setting, working with and on collections; a postgraduate qualification in Museum Studies or equivalent is desirable.

You must be able to work effectively, both independently and as part of a team, and possess good communication and ICT skills.

Experience of basic research techniques and dealing with public enquiries would be an advantage.

A driving licence is desirable.

Closing date: 12 September 2008

For further information and an application pack, please visit our website, www.nms.ac.uk, telephone 0131 247 4094 (answerphone), or email applications@nms.ac.uk, stating the appropriate reference number.

Interviews are expected to be held in September 2008.

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