Volunteering at Lowry







Volunteer Stories and Testimonies



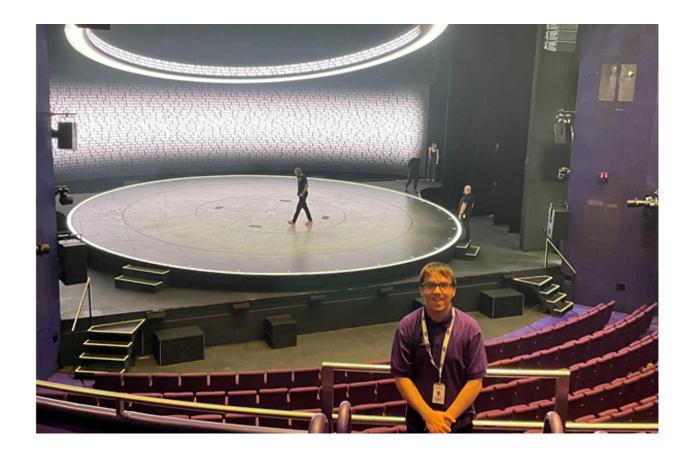
Whatever you're here for, we're here for it

Whether you volunteer with us for 2 years or 25, your time and contribution mean a lot.

We value every volunteer, no matter how long they're able to share their time with us.

Our volunteers bring a wide mix of backgrounds, experiences and perspectives, all of which play a vital role in Lowry's story.

One Lowry, Many Stories



I started volunteering at LOWRY 2 years ago as I wanted to join our beautiful team of purple shirted legends.

The Lowry has been a venue that I've visited many times for many different shows across the years ever since I was diddy.

I also became a part of Learning & Engagement's fantastic YES Drama program which gave me the opportunity to perform on stage in the venue that I love dearly.

What I enjoy most of all about being a volunteer is the wide array of not just performances but also exhibitions that we host, each one bringing in different kinds of people from all walks of life - the crowds just give the place such a fabulous buzz!

Lizzie



Back in 2003 I was lucky enough to get a job in Portugal. Whilst this was exciting for me it left my Mum, Barbara, with a huge void in her life. I remember getting the call from Mum when she told me how she was going to be a volunteer at The Lowry – I was delighted for her. I loved hearing all the stories she told me, the new friends she met, the amazing productions she saw, the new skills she had.

Fast forward to 2013 and I am back working in the UK with a work schedule that afforded me free time. Like Mum, I enjoy all the amazing experiences that working as a volunteer at The Lowry brings. Mum retired from The Lowry last year age 87 after 21 years volunteering. We were both sad but knew it was the right time and to quote Mum "I'm handing the family baton onto you".

So here I am in my 12th year loving every moment of volunteering for The Lowry. After every shift Mum still asks about what I've seen, who I've worked with and her love of The Lowry is undiminished.

I love being a Lowry VIP. I have met so many really lovely and interesting people among my fellow volunteers and Lowry staff and everyone is so supportive of each other. And I have had some great conversations with our patrons, most of whom are really appreciative of our time and efforts to ensure they face a great experience.

The best thing about being at the Lowry though is the feeling you get when you walk through the door because everyone you meet really enjoys being here!





Our VIP's are the way the theatre functions. Friendships made, fun to be had, surprising opportunities, and then the fabulous shows.

25 years later here I am. Still volunteering and still proud to be a part of this wonderful theatre.

Lowry VIP since 2000



I love the challenge of volunteering and, although this is not my first volunteer role, it's my first in a theatre environment and my longest.

To anyone thinking of volunteering I'd say give it a go, but bear in mind it's not just a walk in the park with free tickets. It's a commitment to your colleagues, the front of house managers, and the wider staff at the Lowry, and more importantly a responsibility to give the visitors the excellent customer service you would expect for yourself when visiting.

I've seen some wonderful performances and I'm still enjoying, still having fun and still learning.

Lowry VIP since 2000