

Fairbeats! Creative Ukulele Leader - Southwark Day Centre for Asylum Seekers Job Description and application information

Fairbeats! delivers music sessions with young refugees, asylum seekers and new migrants in Lewisham, Kingston, Wandsworth and Southwark, working in partnership with community support centres and supplementary schools.

We are looking for an experienced ukulele leader to join our team and work alongside us to deliver ukulele sessions for children at Southwark Day Centre for Asylum Seekers:

Timings: 12.30-3.30pm on Wednesdays during Southwark School Holidays

Dates: 10 sessions each year - 1 each half term, 2 at Easter and 5 during the Summer

Holidays (forthcoming dates: 24thJuly - 21st August inclusive)

Location: Southwark Day Centre for Asylum Seekers, Peckham Park Road Baptist

Church, 121 Peckham Park Road, SE15 6SX

Fee: £100 per session

Southwark Day Centre for Asylum Seekers runs a drop-in session for adults every Wednesday, which includes lunch, ESOL lessons and advice sessions. During the school holidays parents also bring children to the centre - Fairbeats provides creative ukulele sessions for 6-11 year olds who come to the centre with their parents. Southwark is our newest partner organisation, we have been piloting sessions at the centre in 2018-2019 and are now looking to recruit a leader to take a lead on this project.

Fairbeats sessions combine supporting participants to gain instrumental skills (for example on ukulele) with opportunities to take part in creating new music through song writing and improvisation. The ideal candidate would be confident to facilitate both elements of this work.

Sessions will run during school holiday time (ie half term, Easter and summer holidays). Each session will involve planning and debrief time.

The ukulele leader will work as part of a team with the support of a trained Fairbeats! support leader and be responsible for:

- Teaching beginner ukulele skills to up to 20 children at a time
- Facilitating child led creative music-making
- Planning and leading group music-making for the sessions
- Planning and facilitating a musical sharing during the summer holidays

The ideal candidate will be a charismatic and inspiring music leader, with well-developed facilitation practice. They will be able to demonstrate a willingness to lead

group music-making and in particular, they will have a genuine interest in, and commitment to, working with refugees.

Essential skills and qualities

- At least 1 year of music teaching/facilitating experience
- Experience of teaching ukulele to groups of primary school-age children
- Experience of a variety of group teaching skills for example, creative music making workshops, wider opportunities style group teaching, or collaborative composition
- The ability to plan schemes of work with a clear sense of progression
- Commitment to working with refugees and the desire to work in a challenging environment
- Availability at half terms and holidays and specifically on Wednesdays: 24thJuly 21st August 2019 inclusive

Desirable skills/criteria

- Willingness to lead training for other leaders within the team
- Holder of a current, transferrable enhanced disclosure DBS (dated within the last 12 months)

Role Details

Renumeration is £100 in total for a 3 hour session including planning/evaluation. The workshops run from 1.15 - 3.00pm but leaders need to be available between 12.30 - 3.30 on session days.

Leaders are expected to attend at least one training session with Fairbeats each year for which expenses will be paid. We also have financial support available for leaders to attend external training.

In the past leaders have been offered additional opportunities to get involved with Fairbeats work on an ad hoc basis.

We would expect candidates to be available for at least 8 of 10 sessions each year.

Application process

To apply please send a CV and covering letter highlighting relevant experience and explaining your interest in the role to <u>jenna.fairbeats@gmail.com</u>. This should reach us no later than **5pm on 15 May 2019**.

Shortlisted candidates will be contacted by 21 May with interviews taking place in the week beginning 3 June. The role will begin in the summer holidays 2019: Wednesdays 24 July - 21 August 2019 inclusive.

You can find out more about our work at <u>www.fairbeats.co.uk</u>. Please contact Catherine Carter at fairbeats@gmail.com if you have any questions.