

Vacancy: Traveller Arts and Culture Worker

Are you a Traveller interested in the arts and helping to promote Traveller participation in the arts in Ireland?

This job offers an opportunity to engage with arts and culture organisations and with Travellers and Traveller organisations working in arts and culture – across a broad range of creative activities such as music, film, drama, poetry, visual arts and other. It also aims to promote Traveller inclusion in mainstream arts organisations as well as developing targeted initiatives. This position will be supported by the Pavee Point Arts and Culture Co Ordinator.

Background

The position has been developed as part of a partnership between Pavee Point Traveller & Roma Centre and The Arts Council.

The Pavee Point Arts Council Partnership seeks to develop a shared vision and programme of work which supports and promotes the arts and cultural contribution of Travellers and Traveller organisations in Irish society and enhances Traveller inclusion and visibility in the arts in Ireland.

While members of the Traveller community have and continue to make a significant and distinct contribution to arts and culture in Ireland, Traveller and other marginalised communities experience multiple barriers to engagement and participation in the arts.

The partnership aims to create conditions that:

- build on and reinforce the current arts activity of Traveller organisations to support the future development of ambitious arts initiatives and practice
- support Travellers engagement with, contributions to, and participation in the arts
- promote mainstreaming and inclusion of Traveller arts and culture in cultural institutions, including the development of targeted initiatives

Job Overview

Duties and Responsibilities:

The Traveller Arts and Culture Worker will work with the Arts and Culture Co-Ordinator to carry out an agreed programme of work.

As per work programme, the Worker will:

- Support the scoping and documenting of Traveller arts and cultural practice (exhibitions and events) around the country
- Support the building of links between Travellers and Traveller organisations working in the area of arts and culture, and with other arts organisations;
- Feed into plans to promote Traveller inclusion in all arts using a community development approach
- Help to develop and organise workshops, presentations, training and other activities that support Traveller individuals' and organisations' participation in arts and culture
- Work with the co-ordinator to inform public arts and culture policy as relevant, including the National Traveller and Roma Inclusion Strategy, the Traveller and Roma Education Strategy and other policy streams as relevant
- Support the co-ordinator to promote Traveller inclusion in museums, galleries and other arts and culture organisations and institutions
- Participate in training that is relevant to the work programme
- Carry out other activities related to agreed workplan, including those arising from the tasks outlined above, and as required by Pavee Point management.

What skills & experience you need for this job:

- A passion for Traveller cultural rights and willingness to learn skills relevant to developing a community development approach to Traveller participation in the arts (must have)
- A good understanding of equality and human rights issues facing Travellers generally (must have)
- Good verbal communication skills and organisational skills (must have)
- Literacy and basic computer literacy (must have)
- An ability to work on your own and as part of a team (good to have)
- Prior voluntary or paid experience of working on a project with agreed aims and timeframes (good to have)
- Experience of working or volunteering with a Traveller organisation or cultural organisation (good to have)

Reports To: The Traveller Arts and Culture Worker will report to the Arts and Culture Co Ordinator in Pavee Point Traveller and Roma Centre.

Place of Work: The Traveller Arts & Culture Worker will be based in Pavee Point Traveller and Roma Centre (46 Charles St. Great, Dublin 1). Some travel to project locations will be required.

Salary Scale: The salary scale is €25,711 to €29,568 pro rata.

Duration of Contract: This position is full-time (35 hours per week) until the end of 2024 and is subject to funding in 2025 and beyond. Job sharing is a possibility.

For information on any of the above contact Caoimhe McCabe – <u>Caoimhe.mccabe@pavee.ie</u> Tel: 085 8162351

To apply: Please email or post a Pavee Point application form and a short letter stating why you would be a good person for the position.

Email: <u>lee.davis@pavee.ie</u> Post: Lee Davis, Pavee Point Traveller and Roma Centre, 46 Charles St Great, Dublin 1.

Deadline: The deadline for applications is Friday 19th April, 5.00pm.