

The London Youth-led Sector Policy Forum



Olympics Opportunities Bulletin

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INTRODUCTION

Welcome to the London's Youth-Led Policy Forum's 2012 Olympic Opportunities Bulletin. This forum, funded by London Councils acts as a one-stop-shop for information for young people and those who work with young people to engage with the Olympics. Please find the bulletin attached to use and forward on to your contacts.

As part of the forum the Independent Academic Research Studies (IARS) produces this bulletin to signpost Olympics based opportunities. If you have any further 2012 related opportunities that you would like to share please contact

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1 LOCOG Resources

Who is LOCOG?

The London Organising Committee of the Olympic Games and Paralympic Games is responsible for preparing and staging the Games

To find out more about the people delivering the Games please visit:

<http://www.london2012.com/about-us/the-people-delivering-the-games/index.php>

Involve Newsletter

LOCOG produces a regular newsletter which keeps the community up to date with all the latest news.

To subscribe please click: <http://www.london2012.com/newsletter>

2012 Website

Please visit the official 2012 website here: www.london2012.com

Inspire Mark

All projects inspired by the 2012 Games can apply for branding recognition with the Olympic Games with the Inspire Mark. For information of terms and conditions please visit:

www.london2012.com/get-involved/inspire-programme



2 Volunteering & the Olympics

Equipping the voluntary sector ahead of the Olympics

2012 Volunteering Legacy Website

The 2012 Volunteering Legacy website is a Greater London Volunteering project to connect and equip volunteers, clubs, organisations, events organisers and London Volunteer Centres ahead of the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games and the Cultural Olympiad.

For more info please visit: <http://2012volunteeringlegacy.org.uk/web/home>

Personal Best

The Personal Best programme is an accredited training course for people not in employment education or training (NEET), and who would like to get involved in volunteering in their community.

Everyone who completes the Personal Best programme is guaranteed an interview to become a London 2012 volunteer. Personal Best includes advice and support as to how to get more education, training, employment or volunteering.

For further information about the Personal Best Programme, please email personalbest@lda.gov.uk or visit: <http://personalbestprogramme.co.uk>

Recruiting Volunteers for Olympic Projects

Local Volunteer Centres

Your local Volunteer Centre can help you to find volunteers, give you good practice advice and support you to manage volunteers. Find your local Volunteer Centre – including more information about what a Volunteer Centre is and does - by visiting Greater London Volunteering's website. <http://www.glv.org.uk>. Click on the area of the map your organisation is based in.

Or you can contact Greater London Volunteering who can give you details of your nearest Volunteer Centre by phone on 020 7953 7317 or 0845 020 4231; or e-mail info@glv.org.uk.

National Volunteering Database

YouthNet and Volunteering England, supported by the Office of the Third Sector and Government Olympic Executive, are working together on a new project to support recruitment of volunteers for Olympics inspired volunteering opportunities.

To tag your opportunities on the National Volunteering Database and for further information on terms and conditions please visit: www.do-it.org.uk/product-support/v-base2/how-to/what-is-an-olympics-inspired-opp



Volunteering Opportunities

2012 Volunteer Programme

The 2012 Volunteer Programme will be launched in the summer of 2010.

To register your interest in becoming an official volunteer for the Olympic Games and to get regular updates visit: <http://www.london2012.com/settings/register.php>

For more information about the Volunteer Programme and its benefits please visit:

<http://www.london2012.com/get-involved/volunteering/the-volunteer-programme.php>

Trailblazer Programme Pre-Games Volunteering

As well as needing volunteers during Game time we also need volunteers in lead up to the Games. Trailblazer volunteers work within the LOCOG offices in Canary Wharf, performing a wide range of administration duties as required by all departments.

There are currently no Trailblazer vacancies but opportunities will be posted when they are available here: <http://www.london2012.com/get-involved/volunteering/trailblazers-pre-games-volunteering.php>

2011-2012: Stories of the World

Stories of the World is one of the ten major projects at the heart of the Cultural Olympiad. Comprising a series of innovative exhibitions to run in 2011/ 12 – featuring collections reinterpreted by young people, local communities, historians, artists and other fresh voices – it aims to further engage young and diverse audiences with the museum sector.

From now until 2012, 14 regional partners involving over 50 museums, libraries and archives across the UK will make this happen. For more details or visit: www.london2012.com/get-involved/cultural-olympiad/projects/stories-of-the-world

Changing Places

The London 2012 'Changing Places' programme encourages volunteers to get out and transform their local area – improving the negative parts, celebrating the good.

For further information on the Changing Places programme and to find out if there is a Changing Places programme in your area please visit: <http://www.london2012.com/get-involved/volunteering/changing-places/index.php>

Young Leaders Programme

London 2012 Olympics organisers are to recruit 100 young people from disadvantaged backgrounds to undergo an intensive 18-month leadership training programme to become 'young leaders' at the event.

For more details please visit: <http://www.london2012.com/news/2010/01/london-2012-young-leaders-programme-launches.php>



3 Influencing Policy and the Games

The IARS London Youth-Led Sector Policy Forum

A new policy forum sponsored by London Councils to be the policy voice of the Youth-led sector in London. The forum acts as a point of contact for the youth-led sector through providing guidelines, publications and networking opportunities on policy issues affecting young people and the youth-led sector with a particular focus on the Olympic games.

For further information please visit: <http://www.iars.org.uk/LYVP%20page.htm>

Or contact Alex Molano on 020 7902 1128

Accessibility and Inclusion London 2012

David Morris the External Inclusion Manager for LOCOG has asked that as many disabled, deaf and older people and parents with young children to please fill in the linked questionnaire for feed back on barriers faced and expectations about being part of London 2012.

The findings will shape the way the environment is shaped for the Games. This study will help to identify the steps London needs to make leading up to the Olympics and Paralympics in 2012 in order that they can live up to their objectives to make the Games 'the most accessible and inclusive 'Games' destination.

To fill in the questionnaire please visit: <http://www.arkenford.net/uc/admin/7dfc/?a=24>

Olympics Youth Voice Journal

Youth-led publication produced once every year focusing on the Olympics funded by London Councils and Matrix Chambers.

To register your interest in participating please email: contact@iars.org.uk

London Councils Consultation

London Councils are holding a consultation of their focus for the next round of funding. The London Youth-Led Sector Policy Forum hosted by IARS will be responding to the consultation on behalf of the youth-led sector.

Your further information about the London consultation please visit:

<http://www.londoncouncils.gov.uk/grants/aboutourfunding/consultingthecapital.htm>

The response deadline is: **Friday 29th January**

4 Grant Opportunities

Changing Places: Organise your own project

You may like to organise and lead your own event with friends, family or neighbours. You could apply to the Community Fund, which will provide small amounts of money to help you improve your local area

To Apply please visit: <http://www.london2012.com/get-involved/volunteering/changing-places-projects.php>



People's Record

Museums Libraries and Archives Council is working on 'People's Record', a national record of responses to the 2012 Games. The current focus is on projects that develop participation by disabled people and increase disability representation within museums, libraries and archives. 'People's Record' has grants of £1,000 and £4,000 to support partnerships.

For more information please visit: www.mla.gov.uk

Or contact: vanessa.harbar@mla.gov.uk; 0121 345 7331

Official Sports London

Official Sports London is an exciting new bursary opportunity to assist Londoners aged 16+ to complete sports officiating qualifications, volunteer or work as officials and maybe even officiate at the London 2012 Games.

Official Sports London is actively seeking applications from both new and existing officials from within the 33 London Boroughs. This is an outstanding opportunity to put your passion for sport into practice and improve your chances of officiating and volunteering at the London 2012 Games. www.officialsports.org

