2018-2020 Vancouver Biennale Volunteer Docent

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Purpose

• Enthusiastic and knowledgeable docents are the essential link between the art, the artists, and the public who visit the Biennale exhibitions and installations. Docents are important ambassadors for the Biennale and strive to connect the public to the artwork by providing background on the installations, the artists, and the Biennale experience.

Location

• To be announced during active exhibition periods (starting June 2018)

Time Commitment

- 4-8 hours per shift
- At least one shift per week starting after an orientation session

Skills

- Motivated to research the specific background information on the art, the artist, and the Biennale from the reading list and orientation materials provided
- Experience with art or art studies would be an asset, but not required
- Feel very comfortable working with all age groups and different levels of arts experience
- Flexible approach, keen attention to details, and ability to multitask if the scope of the tasks change during the event
- Motivated team player who can work under own initiative and in collaboration with Vancouver Biennale staff and/or volunteers
- Enthusiasm for interacting with artists and the general public as an ambassador of the Biennale

Benefits

- Gain experience for your resume or academic curriculum
- Opportunity to liaise with individuals of the international art community
- Work with a dynamic group of dedicated volunteers and staff
- Access to Biennale special events subject to availability

Dress Code

• Biennale t-shirt or pink/yellow colours if you already have them