FREELANCE FACILITATOR GENERATION GUYS RECRUITMENT PACK



OVERVIEW

Peer Productions are looking for male identifying Generation Guys facilitators to join our pool of facilitators.

We are looking specifically for creatives who are passionate about working with Autistic boys and boys with learning disabilities to creatively explore issues such as mental health, body image, consent and healthy relationships.

You will be responsible for leading and delivering the sessions whilst abiding by best safeguarding practice. You will also be expected to complete an evaluation after each session.

For this role it is essential that the candidate has a full driving license and access to their own vehicle.

To apply please email

<u>recruitment@peerproductions.co.uk</u> with your CV and a short covering letter. Please do feel free to record this as a video if you prefer.

Please note, as part of our Safer Recruitment processes, candidates will be required to undertake an enhanced DBS check and will be asked to complete a full work history disclosure document before we will be able to make a final offer.

If you would like to discuss your application informally, please email lucy@peerproductions.co.uk with your phone number and the best time to reach you.

Deadline - 22nd March 2024 Start date - April Interviews - Interviews will be arranged for candidates as applications come through. We suggest you apply early.



JOB SPECIFICATION

Role:	Freelance Facilitator (Generration Guys)
Location:	Schools across Surrey and some areas in Berkshire
Reporting to:	Creative Associate (Outreach)
Renumeration:	£40 per hour (equals £80 per session including evaluation/admin time)
Hours:	Will be arranged according to sessions
Contract:	Freelance

About the programme

Developed and launched in 2022, Generation Guys is a ten week empowering programme for Autistic boys and boys with learning disabilities aged (11-18 years). The programme involves ten sessions that explore a variety of topics that matter most to young men in a safe and supportive environment led by male facilitators. Topics include: self esteem, body image, healthy relationships and mental health. Sessions will include a combination of drama exercises and group discussions with sessions being run at schools in Surrey and some areas of Berkshire.

Each session is 90 minutes with an additional 30 minutes for administration and evaluation. Each programme runs for ten weeks and are delivered across SEND schools in Surrey and some parts of Berkshire. We are also able to offer travel reimbursement of up to £20 for each session. Ideal candidates will be passionate about using creativity for social change and live within Surrey or within a commutable distance.

For more information about the project visit our website: <u>https://www.peerproductions.co.uk/generation-guys</u>

FREELANCE FACILITATOR GENERATION GUYS PERSON SPECIFICATION

Essential

- Experience delivering drama workshops with young people with learning disabilities
- A calm, nurturing and compassionate approach to managing emotional regulation and behaviour.
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills.
- Willing to undergo an enhanced DBS check.
- An understanding of best safeguarding practice.
- A full clean driving licence with access to own vehicle.
- Experience and knowledge of Safeguarding procedures and policy and pastoral care.
- To communicate well with a variety of people
- The ability to be a positive ambassador for the charity.
- An open and honest communication style.
- A high degree of self-motivation and a drive to improve life for others

Desirable

- Experience working with Autistic students or students who have learning disabilities.
- Experience delivering relationship and sex education content.
- A degree in a relevant subject to the role eg drama, theatre, community arts.
- Lives within Surrey or within a commutable distance.

How to Apply

Please send your CV and cover letter explaining why you would like the job and how you fullfill the person and job specification. Please do feel free to record this as a video if you prefer. Please send all applications to recruitment@peerproductions.co.uk

Interviews will be held as applications come through so we suggest applying early. Deadline for all applications is Friday 22nd March 2024. We will contact all candidates with the outcome of their application after this date. If you would like to have informal conversation about the role prior to applying please contact Lucy at <u>lucy@peerproductions.co.uk</u> with your number and details of your availability.

ABOUT THE CHARITY

Founded in 2006 by Artistic Director and playwright Nina Lemon, Peer Productions is an award-winning youth arts charity based in Woking, Surrey which specialises in combining high quality arts practice with peer education and is dedicated to transforming young people's lives through theatre.

TOURING

Each year, the company tours our original productions to schools across the South-East of England, performing engaging plays which support the National PSHE curriculum and tackle the issues that young people face in a compelling, compassionate, and accessible way. Peer plays reach around 15,000 young people every year empowering them to make positive life choices and to positively change the way they think about themselves and the world around them.



TRAINING

We offer two, free unique training opportunities for young actors aged 18 - 24 years.

Our Peer Actor Development Programme (PAD) offers a Full time, Level 4 Actor Development Programme. It's ideal for young actors leaving college and looking to build their practical experience and skills before drama school. The PAD programme allows actors to go on tour and develop their own creative practice whilst also getting a qualification and one to one support with drama school applications. Previous Peer graduates have gone on to a range of top drama schools including LAMDA, GSA, Rose Bruford, East15, Royal Welsh College, LIPA, Manchester School of Theatre, Birmingham Conservatoire and more. We have an 83% success rate.

Our NEW Peer Employment Pathway Programme (PEP) offers a training programme for young actors with special educational needs to build their confidence and enable them to access employment. The PEP programme is made up of five elements: Performance Skills, Projects, Work Experience, Industry Awareness and Health and Wellbeing.

Although each programme is specifically designed to the needs of the group, PEP and PAD actors also practice and learn alongside each other as part of one inclusive theatre company.



OUTREACH

In addition to our high-quality theatre in education programme and training schemes, Peer also offers a range of outreach and community opportunities. This includes extracurricular and holiday programmes for young people who may not otherwise have access to high quality arts provision and our flagship Generation Girls and Guys project which uses drama and creativity to teach Autistic teenagers and teenagers with learning disabilities about themselves, their bodies and their relationships ultimately reducing their risk of sexual exploitation.



DIGITAL

During the pandemic, Peer Productions adapted to create engaging and innovative digital resources for young people and, with the imminent launch of the second season of our interactive digital drama 50 Days: Alone Together, this is an area which we are keen to further grow and develop.

PEER PLACE

In August 2021 Peer moved into our new home. The building already has ample facilities for training, rehearsals and project-based work and we have been invited to the second stage of Surrey County Council's Your Fund grant scheme where, if successful, we will also be able to develop the currently unused second floor which offers significant potential. Working with existing and new partners, over the next few years, we plan to create a thriving youth arts hub for Woking, with a much-needed focus on young people's mental health and well-being.



PARTNERSHIPS

Peer Productions is proud to be a member of the Surrey Wellbeing Partnership (SWP): a joint venture company made up of 13 charities with expertise in young people and mental health. SWP works alongside NHS, NAS and Barnados to support the mental health and well-being of young people in Surrey. Peer also works with JACE training who support some of our PAD learners and with a range of local authorities who support individual PEP learners to access our programme.

Our vision is that young people always access our work free of charge and this mission is supported by a range of trusts, foundations, and partners.