

Technicians Gallery Youth Collaboration



What is the Technicians Youth Collaboration?

Right now, the museum is building a gallery all about technicians, for visitors aged 11-16. In the gallery we want to show you and other young people how technicians help us to live our best lives, and how you could be a technician too!

We have got some good ideas for the gallery, found some interesting technicians for you to meet; but we need to do more to make it a great place for you and other young people to hang out and learn. We would like your input and help do this!

Your task:

We are looking for 15 people, aged 13-16 to team up with and help make sure the gallery staff, volunteers and the gallery activities are useful, exciting and fun for you and other young people.

How?

- Over 7 weeks you will work with Science Museum staff to find the best ways to talk, create and deliver activities that explain what it's like to be a technician.
- At the end of the project you will create a learning activity to help museum staff develop great activities for young people.
- The sessions will be led by Science Museum staff and supported by Westminster City Lions youth workers.

When?

- 7 Saturdays, 10:00am – 2.30pm.
- From 11th September 2021 to 23rd October 2021.

Where?

- Science Museum, Exhibition Road, SW7 2DD / 0207 942 4000 (Nearest tube South Kensington).
- We can help with travelling cost to and from the museum.
- Some sessions maybe moved online because of Covid-19 health & safety guidelines.
- If we're not meeting in the museum, we will drop you an email to let you know.

What will happen each Saturday?

- Week 1 – September 11th – Intro to the project and chance to meet other people.
- Week 2 – September 18th – Make your own activity as well try out some of our museum favourites.
- Week 3 – September 25th – Start planning your learning activity
- Week 4 – October 2nd – Review and feedback on new ideas for Science Museum activities and events
- Week 5 – October 9th - Communication training – top tips for presenting yourself and your ideas y.
- Week 6 – October 16th – Finish your learning activity.
- Week 7 – October 23rd – Present your learning activity and review and feedback on our latest science museum activities.

Who?

Key Contacts:

- **Lillian Babirye, Programme Producer** - Lillian.babirye@sciencemuseum.ac.uk, or 0207 942 4749.
- Lilly is part of the Science Museum Learning team. Her main job is to create and support all the events and activities for the Technicians Gallery.

- **Sisley Hammer, Youth Worker**- shamer@westminster.gov.uk or 07816211512.
- Sisley is part of the City Lions Youth Programme and is employed by Westminster Council.
- Sisley coordinates the City Lions youth project and is supporting the Science Museum with the collaboration.

Do I need to attend all of the sessions?

- We would like you try your best to attend every session.
- Each week we will be working towards our final goal of making learning activities to help our staff.
- We know things may happen, so if you are unable to come please send us a message or give us a call to let us know. (Lillian Babirye (Collaboration Leader) as soon as possible on 07341 680 262.)

What do I need to prepare?

- You will need to follow our covid guidelines including wearing a face covering in the museum.
- We will provide you with facemasks and hand sanitiser, it's okay to wear your own face covering too!
- We will provide snacks, drinks, notebook and pens but feel free to bring your own.
- For some sessions you will need to prepare something, don't worry, we will tell you in advance

What if I don't like it, or I feel ill and no longer want to participate?

- Please speak to the Science Museum staff and let us know how you are feeling.
- If you're thinking of pulling out of the collaboration, we'd love to know if there is anything, we could do to help you enjoy it more.
- If you need to stop attending or won't be returning for any reason, please let us know before you leave.

I don't know anyone else who is going and I'm a bit nervous

- We will spend time in our first session helping everyone get to know each other.
- Many participants attend on their own, and meeting new people is one of the aspects that they say they enjoy most of all.
- Of course, if you would like to bring a friend, encourage them to sign up too, and you can enjoy the collaboration together.