

Volunteer Role Description

City Walls Room Guide Volunteer



**CITY WALLS
EXPERIENCE**
AT MICKLEGATE BAR

What do City Walls Room Guide Volunteers do?

Our City Walls Room Guide Volunteers welcome, enthuse and engage visitors with the history and archaeology of York's city walls.

Where Will I Be Volunteering?

The City Walls Experience at Micklegate Bar tells the story of the 2000 years of history of York's city walls from the early Roman earth ramparts and timber palisades. Visitors can discover the stories connected with the City Walls in the historic environment of Micklegate Bar, one of York's medieval gatehouses.

Who does the role suit?

Involvement in the City Walls Room Guide role is ideal for someone who is interested in York's military or social history and archaeology, gaining hands-on experience in a small heritage attraction, or seeking an opportunity to meet new people and be a part of the Trust's work and York's heritage.

Skills and Interests

You don't need guiding experience or historical knowledge but volunteers should:

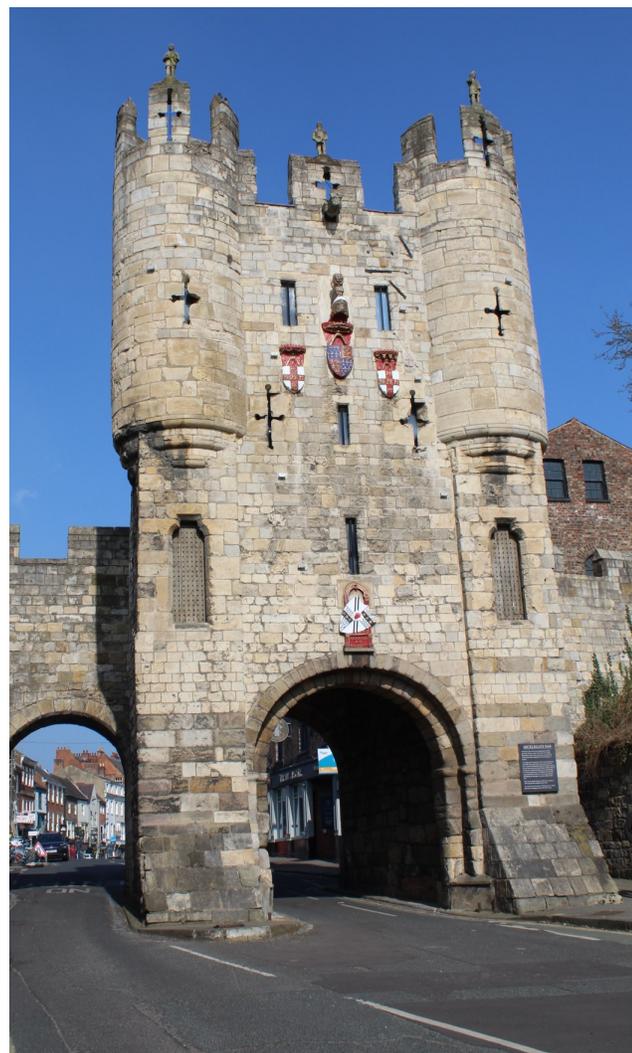
- Be passionate about York's history and archaeology, and enjoy sharing this with others
- Be confident engaging and initiating conversation with a wide range of visitors.
- Enjoy being part of a team with other staff and volunteers

Volunteer Tasks

- Welcome and guide visitors to the City Walls Experience exhibition space.
- Provide additional interpretation on York's history and archaeology to complement exhibition materials
- Engage and inspire visitors in the history and archaeology of York's historic city walls

Induction, Training & Support

Video training materials are provided to you with all the information you need to get started volunteering. We will also ask you to attend a welcome session to help introduce you to the Bar and meet our teams. After these sessions we will book you onto your first volunteering session, where you will be supported by existing volunteers and the volunteer management team as you settle in. You will be supported throughout your volunteering by the Volunteer and Site Management teams.



What Will I Gain from Volunteering?

Meet new people

You will be part of a friendly team of volunteers and staff at the City Walls Experience, and get the opportunity to talk to visitors with a wide range of interests and backgrounds.

Contribute to the work of the York Archaeological Trust

As an educational charity, our volunteers help us engage visitors in our attractions, with the history and archaeology of York and the work of YAT, and enhance visitor experience.

Volunteer in a unique environment

Volunteers will be guiding in the historic surroundings of Micklegate Bar, York's medieval royal gateway.

Learn something new

Volunteers will be given training on the archaeology and history of York's city walls.

An active routine

With weekly and fortnightly volunteering sessions available volunteers will have a regular, social and fun activity to take part in.

Hours & Involvement

You are welcome to get involved on a weekly or fortnightly basis and you will be able to flexibly choose the times you come in each month via our online system or ask us to book you in for regular slots.

Uniform

You will be given a volunteer shirt to wear which we ask you to team with a pair of dark smart trousers and smart shoes.

How do I apply?

Volunteers apply at our intake periods. Application is through an online application form. For more information on the next intake go to www.jorvikvikingcentre.co.uk/get-involved/volunteering. For more information or any questions, please email volunteer@yorkat.co.uk.

