

Gosforth Civic Theatre

Work Placement Programme

for young people with learning disabilities and autism aged between 16-24 years old.



Working out of Gosforth Civic Theatre's Cafe Bar the placement offers a varied role, developing skills including:

- Welcoming customers.
- Serving and preparing food and drinks.
- Qualifications in Food Hygiene.
- Barista skills.
- Operating the till.
- Replenishing stock.

In addition, our placements will provide valuable, softer life skills:

- *Increased confidence.*
- *Improved social skills and widened social circle.*
- *Developed communication skills.*
- *Understanding how to work safely.*

Our mission

To raise everyone's expectations about what people with learning disabilities can achieve.

We believe that every young person embarking on a work placement has the potential to succeed. Our staff are dedicated to the overall welfare of every trainee to ensure that they develop work and life skills across the duration of the placement.



How does it work?

- Our placements run in minimum of 12-week blocks, for a maximum of 52 weeks,
- Typical shift will be 9am - 3pm.
- To help us evaluate if the café is the right opportunity for you, we will invite you to GCT to have a chat with you to find out a bit more about you, your skills and what you want to learn.
- We will ask you to take part in two taster sessions, split in into two shifts.



Cost

This programme is fee based. Fee based programmes can be funded through either a young person's education and health care plan, or direct payments/personal budget. You can find out more about this from your college transitions officer or your local social work team.

Get in touch

To sign up or to speak to find out more, please contact rebecca@gosforthcivictheatre.co.uk.