

YOUNG CURATORS



The Young Curators will be a group of young people aged 16-24 living in the Highlands. They will have the opportunity to connect with other young people, learn something new and gain experience in the museum and gallery sector, working towards the creation of a display.

High Life Highland is working in partnership with CofGâr – Carmarthenshire Museums & Arts Service in Wales and the Irish Linen Centre & Lisburn Museum in Northern Ireland, as part of a network called 'Communities of Making'. The network will explore how local heritage and traditional making has evolved in these regions through the museum collection with the creation of an exhibition. And we need your help to do this!



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What will it involve?

- 4 in person meetings a year. These will be split between Inverness Museum and Art Gallery and the Highland Folk Museum.
- 4 online sessions a year.
- Hands on craft workshops
- Behind the scenes experiences
- Learning about endangered crafts
- Co-curation of an exhibition focusing on endangered crafts
- A trip away to a partner museum in Wales

What are the benefits?

- All travel expenses covered
- £50 in your choice of vouchers for each in person session
- Meet and socialise with other young people
- Develop a range of transferable skills perfect for applications and CVs
- Refreshments and food provided at in person sessions

Who are we looking for?

- Anyone aged 16 to 24 that lives in the Highlands
- Anyone who is looking for new experiences and has an interest in history, art or museums and galleries.

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How much time do I need to commit?

- In -person meetings will last about half a day every 2 months with a break in the summer
- Online sessions will be 1 and a half hours every 2 months with a break in the summer
- Sessions will run from March 2026
- For any trip away these will be 2 to 3 days long.

How can I get involved?

- All we want to know is why you should be involved. There is no prior experience needed. Simply write a short paragraph (300 words max) or send us a voice note/video message (3/4 mins max).

- Applications close on Monday 16th February 2026

[Application Form](#)



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Who are High Life Highland Museums?

High Life Highland Museums covers three venues Inverness Museum and Art Gallery, North Coast Visitor Centre in Thurso and the Highland Folk Museum in Newtonmore. Our project meetings will be split between Inverness Museum and Art Gallery and the Highland Folk Museum.

Inverness Museum and Art Gallery is located on Castle Wynd in the city centre. Our Museum has two galleries that explores the history of the Highlands and its people. The ground floor showcases how our landscape was formed, Pictish stones, medieval Inverness and Gaelic language and culture. The first floor showcases our extensive Jacobite collection, Highland music, Inverness silver and modern Inverness. Our Art Gallery has three display areas and hosts a programme of temporary and touring exhibitions that feature local, national and international art and contemporary craft.

The Highland Folk Museum is Britians first open air musuem. Located on an 80-acre site in Newtonmore, you can explore the living history of the Highlands. The site is divided into four main areas Aultarie Croft, 1930s working farm, Balameanach (Middle village) with a developing community of re-located buildings, the pinewoods and 'Baile Gean' the museums unique reconstruction of an early 1700s Highland township.

You will be working along side the Collection Curators, Visual Arts Curators Conservators, Museum Assistants and Attendants, Engagement Officers , Artists and many other staff who are responsible for these two sites and their growing collections. We can't wait to work with you!



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