



UNION
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VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES AT

UNION CHAPEL'S

SUNDAY SCHOOL STORIES PROJECT



Union Chapel is well-loved as a unique, multi award-winning arts venue, with a global reputation for cultural events engaging diverse audiences.

A Grade I listed Victorian Gothic architectural gem, it is also home to charities tackling homelessness, social justice, empowering local communities with creative groups, training and employability programmes, as well as a progressive and inclusive church. Discover where we've been, what we've achieved, and where we're going [here](#).

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One of the biggest and most exciting developments in Union Chapel's history is the transformation of our Sunday School Hall and **you can be a part of this adventure**, whether as a volunteer to help discover and revive lost artefacts of our archives, taking part in a tour or community-based workshop or skill-building event, or creating new memories together for a brighter tomorrow as our space is returned to the community for everyone to enjoy.

Expect:

- New improved accessibility
- Pre-gig heritage tours
- Heritage building training including work with lime mortar mixing, stone masonry, carpentry, repairs and maintenance for skills you can use in employment and at home
- Your Story Festival of Change made with and by for our communities including inspirational speech karaoke, digital memory bank, performance poetry, heritage food events, debates, and social leadership workshops
- Immersive musical adventures for families

And so much more...

We can't wait to work with the community and all the incredible local partner organisations that helped build on our cultural, community and social justice reputation/heritage to develop our plans to engage more groups including young people, LGBTQIA+, struggling families, migrant and refugee groups so we can together provide more skill sharing, social justice programmes, and more.

Upcoming Heritage Workshops: CABINET RESTORATION (voluntary positions)

Share your skills and time, give back, and meet like-minded people.

Heritage Fund

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HERITAGE BUILDING

Build skills whilst learning about precious artefacts, sustainability, and meet like-minded lovers of heritage
Join our community at bit.ly/SSSPnow

Join Us
9 & 10 May
or
16 & 17 May
in Islington

Union Chapel have some a Victorian and old cupboards that we need to restore to use within our future community hub space for all to enjoy.

We're recruiting volunteers to help us whilst learning more about how to lovingly and safely restore wooden antiques and furniture, with no previous carpentry or restoration experience necessary – just a thirst for learning!

There are two opportunities to take part:

VICTORIAN CABINET RESTORATION: Thursday 9 & Friday 10 May 9.30am to 5.30pm; 2 places available and must be able to attend both days. Application Deadline 2 May, 12pm.

Learn about the deterioration of wood, types of furniture joins, coatings, binding material, adhesives, consolidants, tools, protective equipment, and techniques and get hands-on restoring this full sized, multi-door Victorian cabinet.

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PAINTED CUPBOARD RESTORATION: Thursday 16 & Friday 17 May 9.30am to 5.30pm; 2 places available and must be able to attend both days. Application Deadline 10 May, 12pm.

These two smaller cabinets are not pictured above, but do need some love! Learn about different wood surfaces, finishes, brushes, and tools, how to use solvents and coatings safely, and be mentored on restoration techniques of wood, locks, and hinges.

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All materials and mentoring will be provided as well as lunch and a certificate of participation. Apply for one or both of these workshops you're interested in volunteering for with;

- a brief description of your skills and interest in heritage and community
- days you can attend
- any food allergies or dietary requirements (for lunch) or chemical allergies (for materials used in session)
- CV or short video is not mandatory but feel free to send if you like!

Send these via email to stories@unionchapel.org.uk by the deadlines detailed above.

We'll get back to you shortly after the deadline to let you know if your position is confirmed and provide more information, or to share future volunteering opportunities where your skills will flourish.

Union Chapel, 19b Compton Terrace, N1 2UN

~200m from Highbury & Islington station

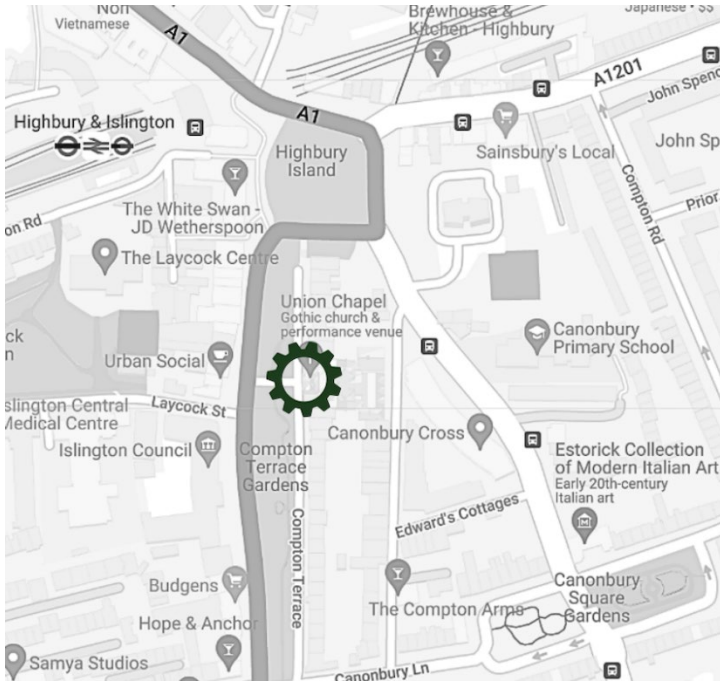


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