



Auditions for Festival Ambassadors Tuesday 11 February 2020 from 19.00 Old Church Rooms, Radyr

Open to all young people who live in the R & M Community Council area, regardless of where they go to school.

Successful applications **must** be available to attend a variety of functions during the Festival Fortnight from Saturday 2 to Sunday 17 May 2020.

The Festival Committee are looking for a small team of Ambassadors to help champion the work of Tenovus, the Festival Charity, through the Festival Fortnight and at other times during their year of office.

This is a new and exciting role for 2020 and will replace the previous "Festival Queen" role. This is an opportunity for a team of ambassadors to undertake a year in office, starting with the May Festival, and representing the RMA and our Charity at Festival events and some charity events throughout the year. The successful team will also have the chance to contribute their ideas to the work of the Festival team. The RMA will offer training and support to the ambassadors to assist them in performing their role and making the most of this opportunity in their year of office.

At the audition, participants will be asked speak to the panel; introducing themselves as a potential ambassador and explaining how the work of Tenovus is important to Radyr & Morganstown. There will then be an opportunity for a question and answer session with the panel.



Auditions are open to ALL young people in Years 5, 6, 7 who live in the Radyr & Morganstown area, regardless of where they go to school.

Any questions? – e-mail Ambassadors@rmfestival.org.uk

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Festival Ambassadors FAQs

What is an Ambassador?

Our Festival Ambassadors will be representatives of both the RMA/Festival Organising Committee and our chosen charity (Tenovus for 2019/20).

Ambassadors will be expected to speak about the Festival and our chosen charity, encouraging others to get involved and to get stuck in with events. They might be organising games for a Guide group or judging the "Waggiest Tail" at the Dog Show. Don't worry if this all sounds new, training and support will be given to our Ambassador Team so that they can make the most of their role.

The Festival Committee are actively seeking applications from all young people in years 5&6 regardless of gender, race, religion, disability, language preference or where they go to school.

If you have any concerns about the audition process or have specific needs to support your full participation, please contact Ian Thomas – **Ambassadors@rmfestival.org.uk**

Will I have to wear special clothing?

The Ambassadors will each be given a sash and pin-badge to signify their official role at the Inauguration Ceremony on Sunday 3 May 2020. It is expected that the Ambassadors will dress appropriately for each occasion they attend simply adding the sash/badge to that outfit. This may mean smart dress for a more formal occasion, wellies and warm clothing another day or simply putting the sash on over their normal school uniform to deliver an Assembly.

What is the commitment?

There are approximately 10 events across the Festival Fortnight (2 to 19 May 2020) where our team of Ambassadors will be expected to attend – but it may not be the full team required for each event. We will also hold 2 training evenings before the Festival for the Ambassadors to get to know each other and start building some of the skills they will need during the year.

We are also looking to work with the Ambassadors to build a programme of other appropriate events through the year where they can represent the RMA/Festival Committee and promote the work of the chosen Charity (Tenovus). This may include preparation and delivery of school assemblies, delivering a message through fun activities at a Guides group or hosting a quiz night. This programme will be created with the appointed team (and their Parents/Carers) to work with their existing interests and commitments.

Where has this new role come from?

Whilst the ambassadors are a new and exciting role for 2020, they will replace the previous role of the Festival Queen and her attendants. This change has come as a direct result of feedback received by the RMA from young people in the community both directly and through our routine consultation and review exercise for the annual May Festival. The views expressed were clear that a change was required that was both respectful to the long tradition of Festival Queens and also updated the role making it more inclusive and more participatory for the young people involved.

In creating the new role, Pupil Voice at both Bryn Deri and Radyr Primary Schools were consulted on the potential responsibilities and naming of our new team. We look forward to the role of Ambassadors being shaped by the unique team's interests and skills each year and as usual will be seeking feedback on all aspects of the Festival in the summer to ensure it continues to evolve and meet its aim of supporting Radyr & Morganstown as a great place to live and work.

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