

# Performing Arts Officer

## Role Profile

### About volunteering with SUSU:

The Performing Arts Officer works to represent the interests of SUSU's affiliated Performing Arts Societies at Southampton. You will also work with teams at SUSU and the University to help promote the Arts and Creative Industries.

In order to apply for the role, you must have experience of being a member of a PA society or similar. When applying for this role you are confirming that you meet the eligibility criteria for the role.

We provide full training at the beginning of the year as well as advice and support as you continue in your role. You will gain a wealth of experience through your voluntary role with SUSU, experience that you can use to improve your future employability while receiving recognition for the work you accomplish.

While volunteering with SUSU as Performing Arts Officer, your role in this mission is described below.

### Main Purpose of Role:

- 1) Representing Performing Arts Societies
- 2) Promoting the Arts and Creative Industries
- 3) Leading the direction of Performing Arts at the Union

### Main Responsibilities of the Role

#### Representing Performing Arts Societies

- *To be the main point of contact between the VP activities and all Performing Arts Societies*
- *To represent Performing Arts Societies in grant and space allocation processes*
- *Promote the activities and performances of all Performing Arts Societies both on and off campus*

#### Promoting the Arts and Creative Industries

- *To promote wider arts and cultural opportunities on campus and in Southampton and Winchester*
- *To work with Arts at the University of Southampton to promote Arts and the Creative Industries to the wider student body*
- *To support campaigns such as Creative Industries careers*

#### Leading the direction of Performing Arts at the Union

- *To lead and support the team of representatives for music, dance, theatrical and technical societies*
- *Chairs the Performing Arts Committee*

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- *Chairs the Performing Arts AGM*

## Where can you find guidance?

- *Sabbatical Officer:* [vpactivities@soton.ac.uk](mailto:vpactivities@soton.ac.uk)
- *Activities Team:* [activities@susu.org](mailto:activities@susu.org)

## How to nominate for the role:

In order to stand as a candidate, you will need to submit a short statement letting everyone know why they should vote for you. You don't need to have any previous experience so simply focus on what you will achieve if elected.

Log in to our website at [www.susu.org/elections](http://www.susu.org/elections) and fill out the nominations form. There is no need to create a new account, just use your University credentials.

For any queries about the election, please contact us at [representation@susu.org](mailto:representation@susu.org)

## Time Commitment and Expectations:

There will be times throughout the year where you may be called on to help promote and spread awareness for SUSU campaigns. There will be key meetings that you must attend and you must attend relevant SUSU meetings.

If at any point you find that you are struggling to balance voluntary work with your studies we understand that your degree must come first. Please, come and speak to us and we will always try our best to make things easier.

**Term of office: 1st July – 30th June**

## Our Values

As an organisation, our values underpin our work and guide what we live by in order to achieve our mission:



### Stand Strong

We stand up for students and make sure their voice is heard.

We stand strong when facing challenges and are not afraid to be different. We think big and work to achieve great things.



### Join Together

We are an inclusive and diverse community of students and staff

We join together with each other, the University, and the local community to make a positive difference.



### Take Responsibility

We take action on the issues that matter to students and act with integrity.

We continually work to be more sustainable, challenge discrimination and prejudice. We strive to be a force for good for students and wider society.