Volunteer Tour Guide

The Wiener Library for the Study of the Holocaust and Genocide are recruiting Volunteer Tour Guides. We’re looking for committed and enthusiastic volunteers to guide members of the public round the Library’s basement archives and Reading Room.

Tours take place every Tuesday at 1pm and last approximately 35 minutes. We expect our Tour Guides to commit to volunteer for a minimum of 3 months.

You will need:

- To be available on Tuesdays at 1pm to give the tour.
- Good subject knowledge (WW2, Nazism, Holocaust and genocide) and a willingness to learn more.
- Object-handling experience.
- Knowledge of archive environments.
- Experience of working with members of the public.
- Public-speaking skills.

You will gain:

- Knowledge of the Wiener Library’s unique collections.
- Greater understanding of archive environments and working with rare collections.
- Experience of interacting with the Library’s diverse visitor base, other volunteers and staff members.
- Possibility to undertake further training such as conservation skills.
- Possibility to take on more responsibility as a volunteer at the Library.

Volunteer Tour Guides will complete a four week training course and will need to become familiar with the tour script in their own time.

- Week 1: The Basics
- Week 2: Tour logistics, handling objects and basic conservation skills
- Week 3: Working with the public and memory techniques
- Week 4: Trial run – giving staff at the Wiener Library a tour

Travel expenses from London travel zones 1-3 will be reimbursed.

Please email tcollins@wienerlibrary.co.uk with a CV and a short covering letter briefly explaining your interest in the role and your skills and experience.