

## OTHER WAYS TO GET INVOLVED AND SUPPORT THE POLY

**Management** Join our board as a trustee or contribute to a working group.

**Local History and Research Group** Interested in Falmouth's history? Then come and help our History Group to preserve our archive and carry out research.

**Publicity and Promotion** Poster and flyer distribution, in Falmouth and its surrounding areas.

**Poly Ambassadors** Promote our live events, you will receive complimentary tickets for shows that you help us promote.

**Practical** From decorating to technical support.

**Hospitality** Provide bed and breakfast for a visiting performer. As a thank you, we'll offer you two complimentary tickets to the show that they are bringing to The Poly.

**Fund-raising** This could be anything from selling raffle tickets to organising a fund-raising event.

**Whatever your skills, time availability or resources, we would love to hear from you.**

## WHAT OUR VOLUNTEERS SAY

“ I like the idea of helping something that is worthwhile in its own right, with a remarkable history, and I hope I'm contributing to its remarkable future. I like being the public face (and voice) of the Poly. ”

**Malcolm** – *Box Office Volunteer*

“ I enjoy meeting people, when selling tickets on box office. The history and why it was founded is part of the reason why I help. There should be a plaque in the bar about Noble's experiment! ”

**Ann** – *Box Office Volunteer*

“ Interesting, friendly and loads of fun. Good to be part of the community & work with the theatre. ”

**Gill** – *Box Office Volunteer*

“ I got involved with the history group when I wanted to find out more about my house. Since then I've learnt so much about Falmouth, made some good friends and helped others to find out about our fascinating town. ”

**Amanda** – *History Archive Volunteer*



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**VOLUNTEERING**  
THE ROYAL CORNWALL  
POLYTECHNIC SOCIETY

## WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE A POLY VOLUNTEER?

The Royal Cornwall Polytechnic Society, affectionately known as The Poly, has been encouraging innovation and culture for nearly 200 years.

Based in an iconic listed building in the heart of the Falmouth community, we are now a thriving charity promoting engagement in the arts, sciences and Cornish history through film, live events, exhibitions, lectures and workshops.

We are also the proud guardians of locally, nationally and internationally significant collections of heritage archives along with many of the works of Henry Scott Tuke.

Being part of The Poly volunteer team is not only a great way to meet new people, learn new skills and see some great shows, but you will also be making a vital contribution to the continuity of this local community based charity which would not be able to function without people like you.

Our volunteers are a vital part of our organisation and there are many different ways of getting involved from working on the box office to selling raffle tickets or becoming a trustee.

## FRONT OF HOUSE VOLUNTEERS

### BOX OFFICE

As a front of house box office assistant you will be the face of the Poly welcoming customers, selling tickets and answering the phone.

### USHER

Helping to look after our audience for films, lectures and live events. You will be fully trained on Health and Safety procedures. In this role you sit with the audience so it is a great way to see a film or show for free.

### BAR

The Poly bar is becoming a popular meeting place prior to a show and during the interval. Your role will be to serve drinks and snacks to our customers during these times.

## AS A THANK YOU FOR HELPING US:

You will be eligible for a free ticket to selected films and events for every shift that you work. (NB This does not apply to our Ushers, as they get the chance to see their chosen event for free.)

We also hold social events during the year just for our volunteers and regularly offer special deals on tickets.

## TRAINING AND SUPPORT

For whichever role you chose you will be given full training by a member of staff or one of our experienced volunteers, who will be by your side you until you feel comfortable to go it alone.

On every shift a member of staff will be present to give you a hand if you get stuck.

## TIME

Our front of house volunteer shifts are generally morning, afternoon or evening sessions. If you can only do one morning a fortnight, or an evening a week, that is absolutely fine.

We send out a calendar in advance so you can choose your shifts for the fortnight ahead.

## INTERESTED?

Call on **01326 319461** for a chat, drop us an email [info@thepoly.org](mailto:info@thepoly.org) or fill in your details below and bring into the Box Office and we will be in touch.

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**We look forward to hearing from you.**