

## Freelance Grants Writer – Request for Expressions of Interest

The National Saturday Club are seeking individuals with a demonstrable record of consistent grant writing success, who will work with the Trust on an ongoing, ad-hoc basis.

**Position:** Freelance Grants Writer

Location: The Saturday Club Trust is based at Somerset House, Strand, London, WC2R 1LA. However,

this role can be conducted remotely

Job Type: Freelance

Day Rate/Fee: Dependant on experience

Closing Date: 1<sup>st</sup> February 2021

## Saturday Club Trust

We believe that every 13–16-year-old should have the opportunity to study subjects they love on Saturdays at their local university, college or cultural institution. Over the past 10 years, more than 8,000 young people have chosen to be part of the National Saturday Club's unique combination of local classes and national events which spark their imagination and raise their aspiration.

The size of the National Saturday Club has quadrupled over the last 6 years. There are currently 67 Clubs in 52 locations across the UK, and more than 1,500 young people receiving up to 90 hours of expert tuition across the academic year. Over the next three years the Trust is looking to grow and expand the number of National Saturday Clubs to ensure that even more young people are reached, particularly 13–16-year-olds from underrepresented communities and backgrounds who will benefit most from the programme.

The National Saturday Club network uses a unique and innovative educational approach that generates positive outcomes for young people, widens their participation in the creative industries and in HE/FE and introduces them to future career opportunities.

The National Saturday Club is funded by Arts Council England and the Department for Education as part of their children and young people strategy, aiming to deliver quality art and cultural education across England; a More and Better grant from the Paul Hamlyn Foundation to build on our impact to date and funding from the British Fashion Council.

## **Grant Applications**

As part of the Trust's long-term growth strategy, we are looking to work with new and well-established funders to support the charity in the successful delivery of its ambitious vision and mission.

To achieve this, we are looking for experienced Grant Writers to make a range of public and private funding bids on our behalf. We are specifically interested in hearing from those with proven success in grant applications relevant to our industry; Arts, Education, Young People, Widening Participation, STEM and Creative Development.

We apply to a range of different funders - all with different approaches and criteria – so flexibility of approach is really important. Consistent qualities we are looking for are:

- a clear understanding and in-depth experience of how Grant Applications work
- proven track record in writing successful grant applications within one or more of the relevant sectors and areas as outlined above,
- the ability to persuasively communicate our vision and mission,
- a genuine interest in supporting the Saturday Club Trust in its ambitious growth strategy,
- conciseness without losing our sense of ambition,
- meeting the criteria of a grants application process and completing all elements meticulously,
- working collaboratively with the Saturday Club Trust team to deliver a successful grant application,
- proactively taking leadership in gathering the material and information required to complete a grant application process.

Funding opportunities are often announced with short turn-around times so writing quickly to a deadline is also a requirement. This is why we would like to create a pool of Grant Writers, each with their own unique strengths, areas of interest and knowledge.

## How to apply:

If you would like to work with us please send your CV and Expression of Interest Letter to: <a href="mailto:christine@saturday-club.org">christine@saturday-club.org</a>

Your proposal should be submitted by 1<sup>st</sup> February 2021 at 12 noon