

YOUTH BOARD2026



Do you want to make sure that young people's voices are heard?

Do you want to share your experiences and ideas to benefit other young people?

Would you like to shape the future of the National Saturday Club?

Maybe you attended a National Saturday Club some years ago, and it made a difference to your life, or maybe you've just finished your time at the Club and want to remain involved. If you are 16–25-years-old and have been a member of the National Saturday Club for at least one year, then we'd love for you to apply to join the Youth Board!

Youth Board members help ensure that young people's perspectives from a diverse range of backgrounds and experiences, influence the future direction of the charity. You will contribute to areas such as, programme development, strategic thinking, research projects and organisational decision-making.

Over a two-year term, the Youth Board meets quarterly, both in-person and online. Alongside influencing the organisation's work, Youth Board members are supported to grow skills in leadership, advocacy, public speaking and collaboration.

WHAT WILL I BE DOING?

- **Attend meetings in-person and online** between October 2026–June 2028.
- **Represent the voice of Club members** to improve the experience for all young people across the UK
- **Participate in workshops** to help shape future National Saturday Club projects.
- **Receive opportunities and training** in areas such as governance, public speaking, writing and advocacy.
- **Have the opportunity to present and work alongside the Board of Trustees** of the Saturday Club Trust
- **Be an ambassador for the National Saturday Club** at events

WHY SHOULD I TAKE PART?

- See your **ideas put into action**
- **Gain volunteering experience** and develop your CV
- **Build your confidence and leadership skills.**
- Attend the **Summer Show VIP event**
- **Meet new people** from across the National Saturday Club network
- Receive a **National Saturday Club Youth Board certificate**
- Travel to different **cultural institutions and organisations**

"I enjoyed how welcoming the people leading the sessions were, and how they made it clear they would do all they could to make the sessions comfortable for us. I now feel more able to engage in discussions as I have been assured that my voice is, and will be, valued and respected." – Martha, Youth Board member

SCHEDULE FOR 2026–28

The Youth Board meets four times a year, both in person and online. Applicants should be able to attend all planned meetings and we will provide exact dates once members have been selected.

- Meeting 1: October 2026
(In-person)
- Meeting 2: January 2027
(Virtual)
- Meeting 3: March 2027
(In-person)
- Meeting 4: June 2027
(Virtual)
- Meeting 5: October 2027
(In-person)
- Meeting 6: January 2028
(Virtual)
- Meeting 7: March 2028
(In-person)
- Meeting 8: June 2028
(In-person)

Online meetings take place on weekday evenings between 18:00–19:30. In-person meetings take place on Saturdays and, where possible, during school holidays.

Additional opportunities, workshops and events may be offered during the year and are optional to attend. Particularly, we would be delighted for representatives of the Youth Board to attend the Summer Show and Graduation Ceremonies in July 2027 and 2028.

HOW CAN I APPLY?

You can apply in writing, or by submitting a voice note, audio recording or video.

Shortlisted applicants will be contacted by Thursday 10th September

If you have any questions or need further support in completing your application, please email programmes@saturday-club.org.

Please complete the [Application Form](#) by **12 noon on Monday 10 August 2026**.

[APPLY HERE](#)

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Do I need experience?

No, we don't expect you to have experience in a similar role. We will support you to make the most of this opportunity, answer any questions you may have, and help you learn new skills throughout the Youth Board programme.

Will it cost me anything?

No. This is a paid opportunity where you will receive payment for attending meetings and your travel costs will be covered for in-person meetings and activities. If you are under 18, we will also cover travel costs for your parent/guardian.

The rate of pay is £50 for an in-person session and £25 for an online session. This rate of pay is in line with the London Living Wage index.

Will I be fed at in-person sessions?

Yes, we will provide lunch and refreshments for all in-person sessions. We will ensure all dietary requirements are catered for.

Who do I contact for more information or to ask questions?

You can contact the Programmes team by emailing programmes@saturnday-club.org or calling 0207 845 5862. We will be happy to answer any questions you or your parent/guardian may have.

I'm under 18. Will my parent/guardian attend the in-person meetings with me?

Your parent/guardian will not attend the meetings, but they will be required to drop you off and collect you from the meeting venue to support your safety when travelling.

I have additional needs. Can I apply?

Yes. All activities will be fully accessible, and we will work with you to meet any access requirements across the programme. It is important that the Youth Board represents a variety of lived experiences.

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