

## Events volunteer



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### Overview

[The Big Bang UK Young Scientists & Engineers Fair](#) is the largest celebration of science, technology, engineering and maths (STEM) for young people in the UK. Everything we do is aimed at showing young people (primarily aged 7-19) how many exciting and rewarding opportunities there are out there for them with the right experience and qualifications.

- Where: [The NEC, Birmingham](#)
- Dates: 13 – 16 March 2019
- Time: 8am – 4pm
- Contact: Elena, Volunteer Manager [EMartin-Laguna@engineeringuk.com](mailto:EMartin-Laguna@engineeringuk.com)

### Why do we need you?

The Big Bang Fair needs you to share your time and energy to help ensure our events team is offering useful guidance to our visitors and welcome them to the event. We need you to support the event logistics to ensure everything runs smoothly.

With over 80,000 visitors in 2018, The Big Bang Fair simply couldn't run without the support of our amazing volunteers. We need over 400 volunteers for next year's Fair. You can volunteer a minimum of 1 day and up to 4 days. **We need lots of volunteers on Saturday the 16<sup>th</sup> of March!**

### What activities will you be involved in?

This is a **very public-facing role**; It is an exciting opportunity for a motivated individual looking to support a large-scale event within a busy and fun environment and team.

- Supporting crowd management at the **theatre shows**.
- Helping steward visitors into the event.
- Managing the central information point alongside events management staff, providing directions and answering visitors' questions.
- Support the mascot team

### What skills and abilities are we looking for?

Our volunteers play a vital role in making The Big Bang Fair a massive success. We are looking for volunteers who are **friendly, reliable and enjoy working with young people**.



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- Welcoming and polite manner towards visitors.
- A cheerful and out-going personality.
- Willingness to help with a variety of tasks.
- Although planning is important, do try to remain a little flexible, as the essence of event management is that the unexpected may happen. The ability to show initiative and to switch task at short notice when directed to do so is essential.

This role involves a lot of being on your feet and moving around the sizeable show floor. If you have any questions about this requirement, please do not hesitate to contact us as soon as possible so we can discuss any reasonable adjustments.

### What can you gain from this opportunity?

- Having a rewarding experience making a difference to young people and inspiring them.
- Showing them how their studies could lead to a career as a STEM professional.
- Extensive networking opportunities, joining an enthusiastic team of people.
- Practical and hands-on experience in an exceptional educational event, enjoyed by visitors of all ages.
- Opportunity to progress and become a volunteer Team Leader.

Most importantly, you will have a fun day!

### Is there any training?

We aim to give all our volunteers a unique experience at the Big Bang Fair. We will provide you with training and support throughout your volunteering role:

- Interactive **induction** for new volunteers (1 h, online).
- **Role specific training** for activities volunteers (1 h, online).
- Volunteer **Handbook**.
- **On-site briefing** on the day (30 mins, face to face). Arrival 8 am for a prompt start at 8.15 am. If you are volunteering more than one day you don't need to attend the briefing on the following day.
- **On-site support and supervision** from the Volunteering team and the volunteer team leaders.

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### Who should you contact? What are the next steps?

To apply, please complete the online application form [here](#). For more information, please contact **Elena Laguna (Volunteer Manager)** on [EMartin-Laguna@engineeringuk.com](mailto:EMartin-Laguna@engineeringuk.com) or 07934295509.

