



News and Updates - November 2011

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Job opportunities at London 2012

The London 2012 Organising Committee (LOCOG) is urging people to consider, research and apply for the opportunity of a lifetime as part of the London 2012 team.

By Games time, London 2012 will have a workforce of around 6,000 paid staff, up to 70,000 volunteers and around 100,000 paid contractors.

The <u>London 2012 Ceremonies company</u> will also have around 350 jobs available across a variety of teams, from costume to stage management.

There will also be opportunities for students who want to play their part at London 2012. The <u>Summer Jobs of a Lifetime</u> website allows students to register their interest in working on the Games. Elsewhere, the <u>Bridging the Gap</u> scheme provides students with a springboard for a career in the security sector.

A wide variety of new jobs are also being created by London 2012 sponsors, suppliers and other businesses who are seeking additional staff as a result of London 2012.

These will be advertised in job brokerages and Job Centre Plus branches across the UK, and will also be on the Jobs for the Games website.

For more information, please visit http://www.jobsforthegames.co.uk/

The Learning Legacy website

The Learning Legacy programme, which is set to be a major showcase for UK plc as the Government looks to capitalise on the positive effect the London 2012 construction project has had on the industry, will see the organisations involved taking ownership of ten themes to help businesses raise the bar in areas such as design and engineering, planning, procurement and project management, among others.

The website will also be able to be contributed to over time; becoming a comprehensive online library for companies of all shapes and sizes to refer to. It will go some way towards the Olympic Delivery Authority's own legacy of sharing best practice and ensuring that the valuable lessons learned on the project can be replicated by others.

For more information, please visit the London 2012 Learning Legacy website http://learninglegacy.london2012.com/

National Youth Theatre to welcome athletes to London 2012

Athletes competing at the London 2012 Games next summer will be welcomed to the Olympic and Paralympic Village by a performance from the National Youth Theatre.

The National Youth Theatre (NYT) will create and perform the Team Welcome Ceremonies, designed to formally welcome the athletes and team officials to the Games.

Over 100 ceremonies will take place on the days leading up to the Opening Ceremonies and NYT will welcome approximately 204 Olympic teams and 170 Paralympic teams to the Olympic and Paralympic Village and to the London 2012 Games.

For more information, please click here http://www.london2012.com/news/2011/10/national-youth-theatre-to-welcome-athletes-to-london-201.php

For more information about the National Youth Theatre, please visit their website http://www.nyt.org.uk/

Free event to help Norfolk businesses strike gold at London 2012

Small businesses can find out how to strike gold at the 2012 London Olympics at a free networking event hosted by Norfolk County Council in November.

Shelagh Hutson, Chairman of Norfolk County Council, is inviting small Norfolk businesses to a free early evening reception at Downham Market Town Hall on Tuesday, 15 November, to find out how they can make the most of the commercial opportunities presented by one of the world's greatest sporting events.

The invitation-only event will give businesses the chance to network and find out more about the New Anglia Local Enterprise Partnership (New Anglia LEP), and how it can help them.

Guest speakers at the event include Claire Gulliver, Norfolk Development Officer for the 2012 Games, who will offer a flavour of the County Council's preparations for the 2012 games, and Fiona Roberts, the County Council's project manager for the Tour of Britain, who will give a behind-the-scenes insight into the Norfolk stage of Tour of Britain. She will also highlight the economic benefits of hosting the UK's largest free-to-spectate live sporting event. They will be joined by Jo Artherton, Norfolk Tourism 2012 champion and David Coulson, Senior Executive, 2012 Games business support at EEDA.

In addition, the Tour of Britain, EEDA (including CompeteFor, the free online service that helps businesses compete for London 2012 Games' contracts), Visit Norfolk, Visit Norwich, New Anglia LEP, Norfolk Chamber of Commerce and Active Norfolk will have stands at the event.

Any Norfolk business interested in attending the event is asked to contact Catherine Wilkinson, chairman's officer, on 01603 223230, email catherine.wilkinson@norfolk.gov.uk or write to her at County Hall, Martineau Lane, Norwich, Norfolk, NR1 2DH.

Last chance to join the Inspire Programme

The London 2012 Inspire programme enables organisations across the UK to officially link their projects to the London 2012 Games.

Organisations that join the programme will be awarded the Inspire mark and can use this special logo to promote their project or event as well as show that they are part of London 2012.

The deadline for Inspire Mark applications is 17 November.

For more information, please click here http://www.norfolkcelebratingtalent.co.uk/Cultural_Olympiad/Inspire_Programme/index.htm

To read about the London 2012 Inspire Programme, please visit http://www.london2012.com/get-involved/inspire-programme/index.php

Norfolk 2012 Torch Relay

The Relay is coming to Norfolk on 4th and 5th July 2012 with evening celebrations held in Norwich on 4th July. The public announcement of the communities on route for the Olympic Torch Relay will be on the 7th November.

A Norfolk Torch Relay schools resource pack will be launched in January 2012 to encourage schools to join in the celebrations. A small grant fund (DFE) will

be available for schools; schools can only apply for this if they are networked. So far there have been 43 agreed grants in the region.

Norfolk Notches up its Network Numbers

In the last two weeks, Norfolk Schools who have Get Set Network status have increased by 14.3%. from 49 to 56.

We are looking forward to more increases! Network schools maximise the opportunities for their pupils from the 2012 Games.

For more information, please contact Creative Projects officer Anna McCarthy by emailing: anna.mccarthy@norfolk.gov.uk

Plan your 2012 - Grants for Get Set Network Schools

Grants are available to all schools which are a member of the Get Set network (the London 2012 reward and recognition scheme).

More information about the grants and an application form can be found on the following link to the Get Set website - http://getset.london2012.com/en/the-games/news/archive/2011-Oct/plan-your-2012-grant-applications-now-open.

Or contact Creative Projects officer Anna McCarthy by emailing: anna.mccarthy@norfolk.gov.uk

2012 Cultural Offer event for Teachers at the Castle Museum

More than 80 teachers, headteachers and school representatives heard how they could use next year's Olympic and Paralympic Games to support learning and to motivate children and young people. The Event, organised by Children's Services, gave teachers the change to meet some of the London 2012 Education team, Learn how they can obtain Get Set Network Status and access funding to support 2012 linked activities. It also launched the Norfolk County Council London 2012 Art Competition.

Teachers also found out about some of the high quality 2012 Cultural offers available to participate in, from Capoeira Communities, Libraries, Museum and the Inspirational Science Theatre to London 2012 Inspire Mark Award winning projects such as Just Imagine, Artists for Climate Change and the Dance Aloud initiative.

Creative Projects Officer, Anna McCarthy said, "Teachers are the beams of light in the classroom and they can be the Olympic torchbearers, passing on those values, and inspiring and motivating children to have the confidence be the best they can be".

Just imagine - Thought and Deed, Word and Action

The Inspire Mark award winning project Just Imagine is planning to hit the road again in the spring term.

Re-named **Imaginaction**, this virtual technology initiative will be re visiting some of the schools who originally made Olympic pledges to see what they have achieved- matching aspiration to achievement. A new virtual environment will be created which will depict a cheering crowd with podiums and torchbearers.

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