SPECIALIST INSTRUMENTAL LEADERS NEEDED FOR LUTON ROMA MUSIC PROJECT

February 2018

We are looking for....

Early Years music leader for drop in sessions
£35 per hour for 2 hour every Wednesday during term time

Choir Leader for after-school music club
£35 per hour x 2 hours every Wednesday 4-6pm during term time

Percussion Leader for after-school music club
£35 per hour x 2 hours every Wednesday 4-6pm during term time

The Luton Roma Music Project started in October 2015. It is a collaborative partnership between Luton Roma Trust, World Beaters Arts and Culture and Flying Start Central (next to Beech Hill School, Luton LU4 8BW) and Luton Music Education Hub. The aim of the project is to work with our local Roma children, young people and their families to develop musicianship skills while supporting them to celebrate their own culture and integrate into the wider community in Luton.

We currently run an after-school music project on Wednesdays at Flying Start Central - with percussion, choir and keyboard sessions for children aged 5-15. Our Roma children’s choir takes part in community-based arts events such as Picnic in the Park and Hightown Festival and appearances at a local care home. We also run an Early Years music drop-in session for Roma families with pre-school aged children at Flying Start Central.

Our music project is supported by staff from the Luton Roma Trust who provide the outreach and translation skills needed to engage participation and to support the music team in delivering workshops each week. World Beaters has provided music leadership and project management support to set up the project and to find funding opportunities.

We have received funding from Luton Arts Fund to widen the artistic reach of the project and are looking to engage local music leaders to both carry forward the weekly sessions and help run our very first Luton Roma Music Event in summer 2018, bringing together renowned Roma musicians to run masterclasses and perform alongside the Roma families that take part in the event.
Person specification

- Experienced music leader with experience of teaching music in early years and/or school settings, managing groups of varying sizes (10 -25 participants on any one day), and of managing children with challenging behaviour.
- An interest in working with the Roma community and in embracing multi-lingual approaches to teaching and learning in the oral tradition is essential.
- Candidates must have a flexible approach to leading sessions and the ability to work with other music leaders.
- Candidates will be expected to bring a wide repertoire of songs to the project and to support the Roma children to sing some of their own songs.
- Experience of performance leadership is essential.
- Candidates must be able to deliver a programme with contents which respect Roma culture and the cultural traditions of the participants. Guidance on these issues will be provided by the Luton Roma Trust team.
- Candidates will be comfortable with the Christian ethos of Luton Roma Trust.

Current DBS check and self-employed status, taking responsibility for own tax and NI.

Payment will on a weekly basis.

Candidates will be expected to attend a session and lead an activity before any commitment is made to working in the Luton Roma Music Project. This will enable candidates to gain an understanding of the work involved and to share their teaching methods with project stakeholders.

Please email your CV and some information about your relevant experience asap to:

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Application deadline 19 February 2018

Short-listed candidates will be invited to attend a Wednesday session and lead an activity from 21 February 2018.