



Manchester Cathedral Writer-in-Residence

Call for expressions of interest

Manchester Cathedral is looking to appoint a writer-in-residence.

The main aims for this residency will be:

- To develop and disseminate creative writing at Manchester Cathedral through the production of original poetry, prose, scriptwriting, non-fiction or work in other forms in response to or inspired by the Cathedral's archives, premises and wider work.
- To facilitate and encourage original creative writing at and inspired by Manchester Cathedral through the delivery of workshops, events and activities.
- To curate and stage public exhibitions and performances of original creative work, both the writer's own and that produced by members of the Cathedral community, at the Cathedral and on digital platforms (e.g. social media)
- To encourage the participation of students in creative writing activities at and offered by Manchester Cathedral, including as part of academic assessment where appropriate
- To make creative writing part of the mission of learning and hospitality at Manchester Cathedral, including the championing of equality, diversity and inclusion, and widening participation
- To raise the profile of Manchester Cathedral within the literary ecosystem(s) of Greater Manchester and increase engagement with creative activities at and inspired by the Cathedral, including through collaboration with other organisations where appropriate.

The successful candidate will have:

- A degree level qualification or equivalent practical experience (e.g. a publishing history) in creative writing and/or English literature
- A track record of success in developing and delivering creative writing projects/activities (e.g. running workshops or book groups)
- Sympathy with a post within the Church of England.

Terms and conditions:

- The number of hours per week and the rate of pay will be discussed at interview.
- The post is for 12 months in the first instance, renewable by mutual agreement.

To express interest in the role, please send a personal statement (up to 500 words) outlining how you meet the criteria above and with some suggestions about how you would develop the role.

Contact information for two independent referees, who are not family members, should also be given.



The statement should be sent to Anthony O'Connor, Director of Fundraising and Development, at Manchester Cathedral, Victoria Street, Manchester M3 1SX or beapartofit@manchestercathedral.org by no later than **5 pm on Friday 16th December 2022**.

Shortlisted candidates will be invited to attend for interview at the Cathedral in early January 2023.

The post, depending on the availability of the successful candidate, will commence immediately.

Pre-application enquiries are encouraged.