

Volunteer Vision

The latest volunteering opportunities in the South Hams

Volunteers wanted for Exhibition 'Tagore & Dartington'

A series of events are being held at **Dartington** from 29th April 2011 to 28th June to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the birth of Rabindranath Tagore, who was the spiritual founder of Dartington. We are still looking for volunteer stewards for this interactive exhibition. Volunteers should have an interest in learning about Tagore and his relevance to Dartington and enjoy engaging with people. There will be a series of informal familiarisation events, talks and fact sheets, etc, to assist volunteers in their task.



A two-day festival on Friday 24 June & Saturday 25 June at **Dartington** promises outstanding international artists, food, workshops, films, a world market and family events. Volunteering is key to the delivery of this festival without volunteer support it would not be possible. In return, volunteer stewards will be provided with snacks and drinks during shifts and free access to a day at the festival.

Would you like to be a Steward for HOME?



Thyme to Heal

'Thyme to Heal' is a project for people with mental health issues, helping them to engage in gardening and other activities that will enable exercise, skill and confidence development, social inclusion and healthy eating and living. Activities include livestock care, horticulture, Studies have shown many benefits of the natural environment on mental distress. **Althaea Herbal Healing Garden** are looking for volunteers to help with this project, facilitating their sessions on Thursdays and helping project participants to engage with the garden and with each other. Project participants as well as volunteers get involved in cultivation of food and medicinal herbs and enjoy soup made with garden produce and herbal teas grown on the site.

Want to know more?

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Ensure
orchards
remain
sustainable



Orchard Link was established in 1998 by a group of Orchard campaigners and advisors from Devon's local authorities, cider-makers and orchard owners. It was set up in response to the wastage of apple crops from small traditional orchards and the needs of orchard owners for help and support.

Orchard Link aims to support orchard owners and enthusiasts, to ensure that orchards are a sustainable element of our landscape. We are keen to do more to help orchard owners to care for and use their orchards to produce fruit for the local community. To do this we are looking for volunteers to join our volunteer committee. We meet around every 6 weeks, as well as for social events. We are looking for general help as well as a Newsletter Editor, Events Organiser, Fundraiser, Publicity Officer and Equipment Assistant.

In the current economic climate it is important that people have local access to independent support and advice which helps them plan their careers and enables them to make the most of employment opportunities. **Devon Libraries** are seeking to establish Work Clubs across the county to offer free careers guidance to adults who live in the immediate community.

Help local
people in your
community in a
totally new and
rewarding way

Devon Libraries are looking for volunteers who have good interpersonal skills to help at their weekly Work Clubs. You may provide information and practical support to attendees applying for jobs, advise on interview skills and preparation, making a great first impression or help to boost an individual's confidence. If you have the knowledge and experience and would like to help others to gain employment, please get in touch.

Devon ReFURNISH is a local charity who specialise in refurbishing and recycling furniture and electrical items at affordable prices.



We are currently looking for Volunteers to assist in our shops across branches in South Devon with a new store soon to open at Derry's Cross, Plymouth. Your role could include helping with the day to day running of the shop, assisting customers and co workers, taking cash and debit payments, assisting with the dispatch of items, pricing, cleaning and displaying goods for sale. Appropriate training will be given.

Recycling
charity offers
range of
opportunities

You will need to feel confident dealing with the general public, have a good telephone manner, and have a good level of IT, numeracy and literacy skills.