



Volunteer Role Description: Events Team

Where: Penrith, Carlisle, Upper Eden (Appleby, Kirkby Stephen)

Commitment: Variable, but each event usually lasts 1 day and our main events season is between May & October.

Duration: Ongoing

Why we want you: The Eden is truly a paradise on earth, with a wide variety of wildlife, landscapes and features that we would love to be able to share with our audiences to:

- Encourage people to visit and enjoy their local river,
- Increase their knowledge of the special wildlife, features and places found in the Eden Valley, and to
- Change perceptions about the river, and motivate people to care for the river and its fragile habitats.

We've found that one of the best ways to get these crucial messages across is by talking with the people who live, work and play in the Eden catchment.

We're a small team, so need enthusiastic local people like you to help spread the message – and have some fun at the same time!

If you're arty, or can talk about how rivers work/Eden's wildlife to families, then you could get involved with helping to run the hands-on activities we run at events. We are also looking for people happy to generally answer queries and talk about our work.

Requirements: You'll be outgoing and comfortable to talking with people of all ages.

Interested in rivers and conservation, you don't need to be an expert, just be willing to learn about the trust and the work we do, and we'll help you with the rest, with training provided.

You will be supported at the event by an Eden Rivers Trust staff member.

A reasonable level of fitness is required as you could be on your feet for a while, and you may be asked to help put up/take down our stand and/or marquee.

What's in it for you: You'll get the chance to meet lots of new people, increase your knowledge about the work we do, and get the chance to share your passion for the Eden Valley, rivers and its wildlife with visitors of all ages.

If you're planning a career in a customer-facing role, then this would be excellent experience for your CV.

You can choose to volunteer at events happening near where you live, or travel throughout the Eden – it's up to you.

Notes: Own transport would be an advantage, but is not essential.

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