

Go Live Trustee and Youth Forum Chair

Please note there is an easy read version of this job description below.

Go Live are seeking a young person (aged 18-30) to join Go Live's board of trustees and to chair the Go Live Youth Forum.

Through ten meetings per year, you will get to contribute and chair meaningful discussions that will support Go Live in its mission to use the power of theatre to create inspiring experience and unlock possibilities for children and young people.

In this role you will steer the youth forum meetings while also acting as a key link between the Youth Forum and Board of Trustees. Ensuring that the views of the youth forum are well represented on the board of trustees, and that the youth forum is well informed on the conversations and decision making of the board of trustees.

Please note that this is a voluntary, unpaid, role although travel expenses will be remunerated.

What is the Go Live Board of Trustees:

The Go Live Board of Trustees meet four times a year to govern Go Live and steer the strategy and governance of the charity. Trustees have independent control over and <u>legal responsibility</u> for the charity's management and administration.

What is the Go Live Youth Forum?

Go Live Youth Forum is a group of committed young people (aged between 18-30) who have an interest in theatre and performing arts and are committed to supporting and shaping Go Live's mission to widen access to theatre to a wide range of children, young people and families.

The youth forum meets six times per year and works in direct partnership with Go Live's board of trustees to give valued consultation on the activities of Go Live and steer the organisation into the future.

As a member of the youth forum, you also receive the opportunity to gain a valuable insight into the management and governance of a performing arts charity while also receiving training to support your role and future careers and connecting with likeminded young people.



About Go Live:

Go Live Theatre is a charity that uses the power of theatre to create inspiring experiences and unlock possibilities for children and young people.

Go Live believe all children and young people should have the opportunity to experience the life-enhancing benefits of seeing and participating in theatre.

The challenge: Too many young people and their families experience physical, emotional, social and financial barriers to experiencing theatre. We are here to change that.

Our impact: Children, young people and their families enjoy shared, live experiences and create special memories alongside greater awareness of different opportunities, the confidence to pursue them and develop skills that prepare them for their futures. We also aim to help the wider theatre industry improve its education and access provision.

What we are looking for:

We're looking for young people who are:

- Committed, enthusiastic and full of ideas: people who are keen to learn and contribute creatively to our work.
- Passionate about theatre and the performing arts, especially West End theatre.
- **Dedicated to inclusion and equity**, with a desire to make theatre more accessible to all young people, regardless of background or experience.
- Have an interest in **developing leadership skills** and taking initiative.
- Can communicate clearly and confidently or are interested in building confidence in this area.
- Feel confident advocating for young people's voices and acting as a representative for the Youth Forum at Board of Trustee meetings and externally.

We are especially keen to hear from young people with **lived experience connected to the communities Go Live works with**. This includes (but is not limited to):



- Care-experienced young people
- Young carers
- Disabled, D/deaf and neurodiverse young people
- Young people who have attended pupil referral units
- Refugees and/or asylum seekers
- Young people from Global Majority backgrounds
- Young people from a low socio-economic background
- Young people whose families have experienced challenging circumstances.

No previous theatre experience is required. If you're interested in theatre but haven't had the chance to get involved yet, please don't let that stop you. We welcome applicants at all stages of their journey.

Responsibilities:

- Contribute to Youth Forum discussions and chair Youth Forum meetings.
- Representing the Youth Forum at Board of Trustee meetings, advocating for the views and interests of young people.
- Read and prepare any required minutes or board notes in preparation for each meeting.
- Attending 10 in-person meetings per year, made up of:
 - 6 Youth Forum meetings
 - 4 Board of Trustee meetings
- Attend other Go Live events as requested such as theatre trips and social events.
- Commit to a term of at least 12 months, with the option to extend your involvement to a maximum of 3 years.

Benefits:

- Opportunity to develop governance and leadership skills.
- Support and mentorship from the Go Live team and fellow trustees as you take on your first governance role.
- Training in a range of topics to support your career and personal growth.
- Travel and access support is available on request.

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How to apply:

Please send your **CV** and a covering letter (no more than 1000 words) by **Wednesday 5th November 2025 at 10am,** which answers the following three questions to recruitment@golivetheatre.org.uk. **We will also accept video applications (no more than 5 minutes long).**

Please complete the equality and diversity monitoring form here

- What interests you about being Go Live's Youth Forum Chair and a member of Go Live's board of trustees?
- What do you hope to contribute or gain from the experience?
- Why do you believe it's important for all young people to have access to theatre?
- Please describe a time when you demonstrated leadership skills What was the situation, what actions did you take, and what was the outcome?



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Role: Go Live Trustee & Chair of the Youth Forum

Age Requirement: 18–30 years old

Pay: Voluntary (Unpaid)

Travel & access costs can be covered on request

m Meetings: 10 per year

Made up of:

- 6 Youth Forum meetings (you chair these)
- 4 Board of Trustees meetings (you attend & represent the Youth Forum)

Meetings take place in person in Victoria, London. There is not an option to join online.

Term: At least **12 months**, up to **3 years**

What You Do

- Lead Youth Forum meetings and keep them on track
- Speak up for young people at Board meetings



- Share info both ways:
 - Take Youth Forum views to the Board
 - Bring Board updates back to the Youth Forum
- Write short papers before meetings
- Represent Go Live at events (e.g. theatre trips, socials)

Who Can Apply

You can apply if:

- You care about theatre & fair access
- You want to build leadership skills and take initiative
- You can communicate clearly *(or want to grow this skill)*
- You feel confident speaking up for youth (or are keen to learn)
- III You are aged 18 30
- No theatre experience needed!

We encourage applications from:

- Young carers
- Care-experienced young people
- Disabled, D/deaf or neurodiverse young people
- Those who went to a PRU
- Refugees or asylum seekers



- Anyone who has faced tough family circumstances
- Young people from Global Majority backgrounds
- Young people from a low socio-economic background

Benefits

- m Learn about governance & leadership
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 Mentoring & support from Go Live team and trustees
- Iraining to grow personally & professionally
- 🔸 🙎 Travel & access support available (on request)

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