



Job Spec – Aerial Coach

(Freelance contract – January to July 2024)

Aerial circus coach for classes at CircusMASH.

About Us

CircusMASH started in 2011 and has since become a hub of community circus. We have a training space in Birmingham and offer a discovery and a foundation programme for young people and adult community and lots of opportunities to get involved in our community shows.

The House of MASH is our mothership that makes professional shows and runs workshops. Our current show Dream Cabaret is in development and as well as taking private commissions we run educational workshops in schools and skill workshops in the community.

Our life is circus and we strive to make it as accessible as possible, always.

“Dream way too big and forget not your purpose, but live every day like your life is a circus”! Want to see more? www.circusmash.co.uk

Our Promise core values & behaviours.

creative. collaborative & innovative.

integrity. transparent & fair.

representative. equal & proactive.

respectful. adaptable & inclusive.

authentic. open & honest.

sustainable. environmentally & economically aware.

Opportunity - AERIAL COACH

CircusMASH are seeking an Aerial Coach to join our team to teach aerial circus at youth and adult classes, and to spread circus love in community workshops and performances.

Classes happen all through the week on a regular termly schedule. The aerial coach will be responsible for preparing and setting up for the classes, delivering appropriate teaching on conditioning, skills and creative work in a fun and engaging way, and then concluding classes on time and striking the equipment. The role involves working alongside other coaches and operating as part of a wider team in line with the termly plan.

They must hold a thorough understanding of technique and body mechanics in order to convey ideas to students in an effective way and challenge them above their own skill level. The role involves working towards choreographing and directing routines for our community shows.

The role holder will be expected to attend termly training events and team socials to maintain the standard and values of CircusMASH.

Essential Qualities/Skills

- Professional Experience in Aerial Circus.
- A Strong mastery of at least 1 aerial apparatus.
- Have experience in most aerial disciplines but particular expertise in silks, static trapeze, aerial hoop and rope.
- An understanding on the best practices for rigging.
- Spotting and safety skills.
- An up-to-date DBS certificate
- Public liability insurance

Desirable Qualities/Skills

- Provide your own first-aid training certificate.
- Experience of working with young people, leading groups and have an enthusiastic, fun, engaging approach.
- Rigging experience

Conditions

The fee for a coach or assistant coach at **CircusMASH** is £15-£22ph*.

*For this position, salary will depend on experience.

10 to 20 hours a week.

Majority of classes take place in Kings Heath, Birmingham, UK.

Tax - Each member of the team is taken on as a freelance practitioner and is responsible for their own tax and national insurance contributions.

Benefits

As part of the CircusMASH staff you get some benefits that includes:

- Access to a number of classes for free.
- 24 Open space sessions
- You will also have access to train in the space (whenever there is nothing else going on) for £10ph.

Application

Please submit a CV to nate@circusmash.co.uk with your name and contact info, and include a cover letter about your experience/story with circus.

Closing date **20th of December, 2023.**

We look forward to hearing from you,

THE CIRCUSMASH TEAM