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CAREERS NEWSLETTER

This newsletter is a collation of all the opportunities we have heard about from employers and universities. Please use the links included to read more information and apply to anything you are interested in. Links are underlined.

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Creative careers. No one path. No one type of talent. Whether you're interested in gaming, music, design, film, fashion, technology or something else, there are more ways into creative careers than ever before. Discover Creative Careers Month is bringing together young people, educators and industry across the UK to open doors, build connections and create new pathways into the creative industries.



Discover Creative Careers is a fantastic free resource for young people aged 11–24, helping you explore exciting career opportunities across the UK's creative industries. Whether you're unsure about your future or already have a creative career in mind, there's plenty to discover!

- 🎬 Explore Creative Careers – Find out about different creative jobs, watch industry videos and hear from professionals.
- 💼 Get Careers Information – Discover tips for writing CVs, preparing applications and succeeding at interviews.
- 🎤 Watch Industry Broadcasts – Hear directly from people working in creative industries.



- 📅 Explore Events – Find workshops, industry events and opportunities to get involved.
- 🚀 Find Work Experience – Explore opportunities to develop your skills and gain valuable experience.

Here are some of the upcoming events taking place in line with Discover Creative Careers Month...



Ever wondered what it takes to bring a show to life? On 17 November 2026 from 14:00 - 15:00, you can step behind the curtain at the Millennium Forum and discover the exciting world of theatre! From the technical teams bringing the stage to life and the Front of House staff welcoming audiences, to the marketing team promoting the next big show, discover the wide range of jobs that keep a theatre running. Explore how our outreach, access and youth programmes connect with the community, create opportunities for young people and ensure theatre is accessible to everyone.



Print Shapes Everything... Could You Shape the Future? From the cereal box you open at breakfast to the trainers you wear, the books you read, the packaging you unwrap and the brands you follow on social media—print is everywhere. But today's print industry is far more than ink on paper. Join us for an exciting insight into the modern print industry and discover how creativity, technology and innovation come together to turn ideas into real products. Learn more on 18 November 2026 from 10:00 - 14:00.



For further information advice and guidance, or to book a personal guidance appointment please contact careers@melkshamoak.co.uk

JOB OF THE WEEK

Social Media Manager

A social media manager is a marketing communications professional who oversees a brand's or organisation's presence across online social platforms. Their primary goal is to build brand awareness, engage audiences, drive website traffic, and convert followers into leads or sales.

They sometimes have oversight of all channels, or can specialise in one channel (such as being a TikTok Specialist).

LABOUR MARKET INFORMATION FACT

CreaTech – the combination of creativity and advanced technology – is one of the fastest-growing parts of the UK's creative economy. It's expected to grow up to 10 times faster than the wider creative industries.

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Love books but not sure what kind of career you could have in publishing? On 19 November 2026 from 17:00 - 18:00, you can hear from people working across the industry and discover where you could fit in. The session will feature employers and industry professionals sharing insight into different roles, routes into the sector, useful skills and experience, and opportunities for progression. Speakers may also highlight current vacancies, training programmes and other opportunities where relevant.



Ever wondered who creates the exhibitions, experiences and stories you see in a museum? Join us for an exciting virtual insight session and discover what it's really like to work behind the scenes at the RAF Museum. Hear from guest speakers working across creative museum careers, explore the different roles and pathways available, and get an insight into how ideas become exhibitions, experiences and stories that engage millions of visitors. This session runs on 25 November 2026, 10:00 - 14:00.



Job titles are confusing. And job specs are even more confusing. So that's why Day of Wrk was created. To show what people actually do for their jobs through authentic day-in-the-life stories.



The Swansea University Masterclass Series takes place this month. They are free online webinars, taking place 16-19 November 2026, and cover a range of topics including Personal Statements, Healthcare & AI, Mathematics, Business, Law, Media, Chemistry, Careers and Study Abroad, and Welsh-medium study. Delivered by their academics, each session gives you the opportunity to experience what university lectures are like, explore a subject in more depth, learn more about related degree courses and gain inspiration for your personal statements and applications.



Have you ever wondered what it's like to go to university? Are there lots of questions about university going around in your head? Would you like to know what it's like before you take the leap and apply for a STEM university degree? Well, now you can - with EDT's Industrial Cadets Residential Insight into University experiences, you get the chance to try out a STEM degree subject at leading universities throughout the UK. There is a cost, but bursary places are available for eligible students.

EMPLOYER SPOTLIGHT

Bupa is an international healthcare organisation providing services including health insurance, dental care, health clinics and residential care. Careers therefore range from directly supporting patients to technology, finance, customer service, business and management. Young people can explore apprenticeships and other entry-level opportunities that combine workplace experience with training. Bupa may appeal to students who want a people-focused career and are interested in health and wellbeing.

UNI SPOTLIGHT

The University of Warwick is a campus-based university near Coventry, offering courses across sciences, engineering, humanities, social sciences, business and medicine. It has strong links with employers and provides opportunities including societies, placements, study abroad and entrepreneurship. Warwick may particularly appeal to students who want a self-contained campus community while remaining within easy reach of Coventry, Birmingham and employers across the wider Midlands region.

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