





Arts administrator

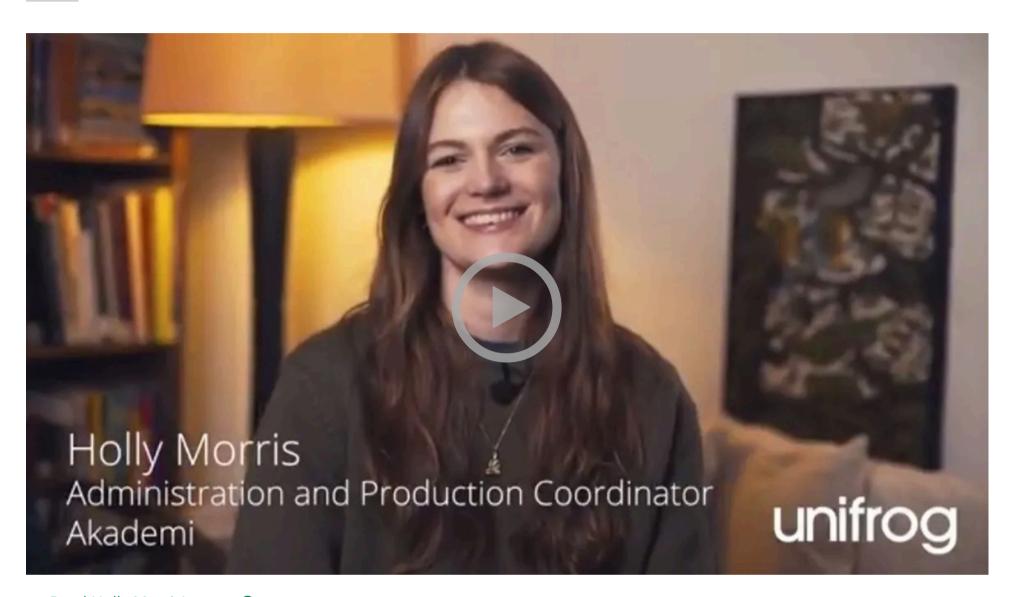






Also called: Community arts assistant, Theatre administration assistant, Art collection administrator

Arts administrators help to organise events in the performing or visual arts. They might manage staff, finances, and locations for performances and exhibitions.



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What you'll do

You could work at places like theatres, art galleries, community and disability arts organisations, or local authorities. You'll work in areas like accounting, fundraising, marketing, buildings management and customer care.

Your day-to-day tasks could include:

- booking venues and artists
- negotiating sponsorship and funding
- promoting events and managing social media
- helping with staff training
- managing budgets and keeping records
- carrying out general administration and selling tickets

You'll also usually be responsible for organising staff to make sure that the building is clean, secure and meets the venue's health and safety laws.

You work will depend on the size of organisation you work for. In larger organisations, you may be responsible for just one area of work, or you may work across different departments.

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Working hours and environment

Your working hours could vary and include evenings, late nights and weekends.

You'll work in an office and also travel to events and performances.

Career path and progression

With experience, you could become an arts officer or manager.

You could also take on freelance work or become a consultant.

Skills required

You'll need:

- communication skills
- excellent organisational skills
- maths skills for working to budgets
- IT skills
- negotiation skills

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Entry requirements

A degree in arts, arts administration, events, or business studies may be helpful.

Relevant skills and experience are also valued by employers. You could get this through volunteering or temporary work, such as:

- helping with student or community drama productions or concerts
- working front of house or at box offices at arts centres, cinemas or theatres
- taking relevant temporary jobs with arts festivals

Volunteering or temporary work can help you to develop a network of contacts within the industry. Competition for jobs can be strong, so contacts may help you to find work.

You could get into this job through an apprenticeship.

Arts Council England, Creative and Cultural Skills and Voluntary Arts have useful information on careers in the arts.

Related Know-how guides

Explore Know-how guides related to this career:

Apprenticeships in creative industries >

Related university subject profiles

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- Events management >

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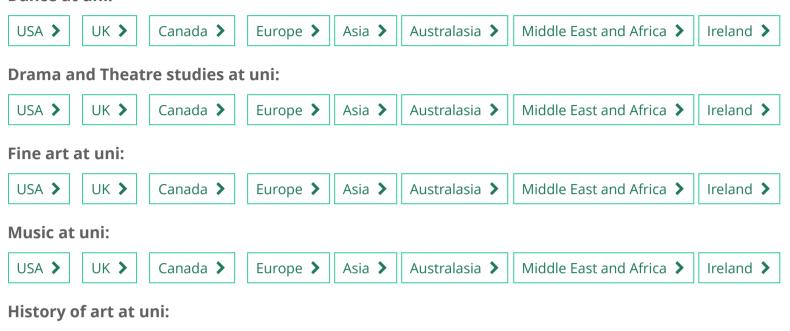
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Labour Market Information (LMI)

Current and predicted figures relating to the Arts administrator profession. Median averages are shown, each with the specific career, or group of careers, that they apply to.





Jobs

Artistic, literary and media occupations

342,899

• 2,417 in your local area of Liverpool

Top 5 local areas

1	Surrey	8,868
2	Hackney	8,587
3	Kent	8,466
4	Hertfordshire	8,120

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7,261



Arts officers, producers and directors

£37,485

Artistic, literary and media occupations

£32,914

• £30,531 in your region of North West

Top 3 regions

1 South East	£35,849
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2 London £34,864

3 North West £30,531

Growth 2020-2035

Culture, media and sports occupations

+.2% **1**,593 jobs

• -4.8% in your region of North West, an decrease of 2,325 jobs

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