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Placement Specification

Traditional Title:	Stone conservation Trainee
Placement Provider:	Graham Masonry Limited
Reporting to:	Adrian Wallace
Location:	Various sites in Northumberland and a major project at Low Slit lead mine in Weardale, County Durham.
Bursary amount:	Up to £3,750
Period of training:	Up to 60 days
Start date:	May/June 2010
Attendance:	8:00 – 4.30; Monday – Friday

Overall Purpose of the Placement:

A training placement to develop stone conservation skills, working alongside Graham Masonry's Team on ancient monuments of national and international importance. Clients include, Natural England, National Trust and English Heritage.

A major contract commencing this year is Low Slit lead mine which is a scheduled ancient monument and also a site of special scientific interest. Work will include lime mortar pointing, core work, stone repairs, photographic rebuilds and all other works associated with ruin consolidations.

Main areas of Work:

Your application should clearly illustrate your potential to carry out these responsibilities.

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- To carry out stone conservation work (with support and training) to the required standard of work, efficiency and quality expected by the Placement Provider
 - Gain experience in aspects of stone conservation in order to meet the training targets as specified in your Individual Training Plan and to be agreed with your Supervisor
 - Be accountable for your own development by undertaking and completing the Scheme's Progress Record procedure
 - Follow specific instructions from your Placement Provider
 - Ensure that all work is undertaken in line with Cadw policies and rules

Other:

The Trainee is responsible for the health and safety of themselves and of others who may be affected by their acts or omissions at work.

The Trainee may be required to perform other duties or tasks as may be reasonably requested by the Placement Provider and will be expected to work within the Bursary Terms and Conditions.

Trainee Specification:

To be successful at gaining an interview, your application should clearly illustrate how you meet the following criteria. The selection process will assess your suitability further.

Knowledge:

Essential:

- An interest in stone conservation and historic structures

Desirable:

- A NVQ level 2 qualification in Stone masonry, or equivalent in a building craft relevant to the Placement skills

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Skills:

Essential:

- Evidence of having worked with hand tools, ideally in this building skill area
- Proven ability to work outside and at heights, in a variety of weather conditions
- Good communication skills
- Adaptable and flexible, with proven qualities as a strong team player, able to work closely with others, and ability to work on one's own initiative

Experience:

Essential:

- Proven ability to absorb and apply new technical information
- Proven ability to work to required standards and to understand and use the appropriate methods, tools and applications
- Proven ability to take responsibility for professional development

Desirable:

- Experience of working in the built environment

Motivation:

Essential:

- An enthusiasm, commitment and passion to move into a career within the built heritage sector in England or Wales
- Willingness to travel both within and outside the region of your Placement Provider organisation
- An enthusiasm to work towards gaining an NVQ Level 3 Heritage Skills in Stone masonry or an equivalent qualification

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Selection Procedure

The candidates, whose applications demonstrate knowledge, motivation experience and abilities which best match those we are looking for, will be invited to interview. It is therefore essential for your application to give a full and concise description of the nature, extent and level of your experience and responsibilities you have held.

The recruitment panel will select the candidate most suitable for appointment. Their decision will be final.

The Traditional Bursary Scheme Management reserves the right to change a Placement Specification description after consultation with the Trainees and Placement Provider concerned.

Please return your completion application form to:

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Application Closing Date:

Friday 26th March 2010

Interview Date:

Thursday 15th April 2010