INSTITUTE OF CONTEMPORARY ARTS (ICA): JOB DESCRIPTION

Job Title:	Head of Marketing & PR
Reporting to:	Director / Chief Curator
Department:	Communications
Line Management:	Press Officer, Marketing Officer, Membership Relations Manager, Copy Editor
Salary:	Competitive; depending on experience (please state your current salary and your salary expectations in your application)
Strategic Relationships:	Head of Design, Communications Team, Curatorial Team, Senior Management Team
Contract:	Permanent, Full time, 40 hours per week

We encourage applications from all backgrounds, communities and industries, and we are committed to having a team that is made up of diverse skills, experiences and abilities. We particularly encourage applications from disabled people and people from black, Asian and minority ethnic backgrounds, as these groups are currently under-represented in the cultural sector. We are committed to equality and diversity within our workforce and all opportunities provided by the ICA.

Whilst some of our offices have barriers to access, we are taking steps to resolve these, and in the meantime continue to encourage interest from applicants who require reasonable adjustments within the workplace

PURPOSE OF THE POST

The Institute of Contemporary Arts was founded 72 years ago and is a model that is continuously adapted to the world of today. Our agenda setting programme positions artists and thinkers at the centre of the ICA's activities: as our Partners, Participants, and our Audience. Historically the ICA has always anchored its programme within the socio-economic conditions of its times. Today, this critical approach is needed more than ever, as we face some of the most complex ecological, ethical and social justice challenges of the 21st Century.

From the Turner Prize nominated exhibition Forensic Architecture to a high-profile discussion with Chelsea Manning, recent months have shown that the ICA is going from strength to strength. This is a fantastic opportunity for an ambitious marketer to make a significant impact at the ICA as it moves towards re-establishing itself as a membership organisation and delivering several important strategic initiatives. The role is conceived with the desire to grow into a Director level position sitting on the Senior Management Team (SMT). The main responsibilities of the Head of Marketing & PR are to develop, implement and lead on the marketing, communications and digital strategy for the ICA, with the goal being to engage a wide range of audiences in the activities of the ICA, drive attendance and membership, and to build brand awareness and loyalty.

Working with the SMT and line managing a Press Officer, Marketing Officer, Membership Relations Manager and Copy Editor, this individual is responsible for ensuring that audience and market-led thinking and insights are embedded in the ICA's decision-making processes and strategies. This role ensures that the ICA has the marketing and digital strategy needed to support the programme and business goals while enhancing accessibility and audience outreach.

KEY TASKS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Strategy

- Develop and implement effective marketing strategies and campaigns with a Marketing Officer to promote the full breadth of the ICA's public programme, offer and commercial activities.
- Plan and implement membership acquisition & retention strategies with the Membership Relations Manager including driving membership numbers, engagement, loyalty and revenue to meet an agreed range of targets.
- Lead and oversee marketing and PR strategies for new and developing programme and commercial activities in consultation with the ICA's Press Officer and Press Consultant.
- Lead on developing and implementing strategies for growing and diversifying audiences across all areas of ICA programme.
- Lead on the ICA's digital strategy and take responsibility for an agreed range of engagement targets across the ICA's social media platforms.

Branding

- Work with the Head of Design and the SMT to grow the ICA's brand and identity, ensuring that all marketing communications adhere branding guidelines.
- Build relationships with key external suppliers such as media agencies and promotional partners, tendering projects, negotiating and securing the best possible terms.

Audience Development

- Develop and implement audience development initiatives and related monitoring and audience evaluation in accordance with funding requirements (Arts Council England, Heritage Lottery Fund).
- Devise and implement effective methods of evaluation, ensuring a rigorous strategic and evidence-based approach to all marketing activity.
- Develop the CRM strategy, manage effective data capture, and oversee audience research and analysis, working closely with other internal departments to establish the data and reporting needs of the wider organization.
- Coordinate with external parties where necessary, including The Audience Agency, Film London and the BFI Film Audience Network to shape and tailor content for different demographics, with an emphasis on building new audiences.

General

- Line management of the Press Officer, Marketing Officer, Membership Relations Manager and Copy Editor and any other freelancers working on marketing, communications and digital strategy.
- Regularly reviewing marketing platforms, systems and mailing lists (website, Mailchimp etc) in collaboration with Director of Operations and Visitor Services.
- Manage the Communications budget and expenditure with the Head of Design; report regularly on financial aspects of the Communications team's activity including performance to agreed targets, liaising with colleagues as necessary.

PERSON SPECIFICATION

Essential Criteria

- Extensive marketing experience
- Extensive knowledge and experience of digital platforms and social media including of social media best practice and the ability to drive social media engagement
- An understanding of digital copyright, data protection, communication best practice
- Excellent oral and written communication skills
- Extensive experience in evidence-based approach to marketing, with strong commitment to reporting against targets and other forms of evaluation
- Sound financial acumen, existing experience of carefully managing on budgets, analysis of revenue targets and income generation
- A seasoned networker to secure exciting marketing partnership opportunities and negotiate excellent terms for the ICA
- The demonstrated ability to be creative, proactive and innovative

Desirable Criteria

- Expert at InDesign and Photoshop
- Availability outside normal working hours to attend events, openings and meetings

The above list is not exclusive or exhaustive and the post holder will be required to undertake such duties as may reasonably be expected within the scope of the post. All members of staff are required to be professional, co-operative and flexible in line with the needs of the post, Department and the ICA.

Job descriptions are reviewed regularly and at least prior to the annual appraisal, if applicable to ensure they are an accurate representation of the post.