



Regional Language Network South West
Volunteer Register for Culture and Languages

INVITATION

Thursday, 7th June 2007 from 6–9pm, with a hot buffet at 7pm
Venue to be confirmed – in Weymouth

6.00pm	Welcome and introductions
6.10pm	Update on the last year and our ideas for the future
6.20pm	Hayley Flattery, Weymouth Community Academy – on volunteer working, the role, responsibilities, why people volunteer, opportunities and benefits.
7.00pm	Hot buffet supper
7.40pm	You tell us – about why you volunteer, about a suitable name for our register in the future, how you wish to see our register develop.
8.10pm	Training and development needs
8.30pm	Routes into work and learning – information about some of the options

You are warmly invited to join Philada Rogers and James Piriou of the Regional Language Network South West to find out more about the volunteer register, which we set up in 2006, and how we wish to take forward its work. This event will be an evening of learning and discussion.

There are many opportunities! Since last year, volunteers have –

- supported companies and organisations – this can lead to paid work opportunities
- assisted language tutors in classes run by Dorset Adult Education Service – a possible route into becoming an Adult Education tutor
- joined a German special interest group, which will liaise with local companies needing German language and cultural skills, eg, Portland Port
- become volunteers at Weymouth & Portland National Sailing Academy – to help at international sailing events

We provide information and advice about training and work opportunities – such as public service interpreting. We are currently trying to set up a training course for tour guides with foreign language skills, who could receive foreign visitors.

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