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Sadler's Wells Ticket Sales Project Executive (Fixed-term, 3 - 4 month contract)

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### Welcome

Thank you for your interest in joining Sadler's Wells. We hope also that it will be a great opportunity for you in your own career.

Sadler's Wells holds fast today to the vision that Lilian Baylis instilled here almost a century ago: that great art should belong to everybody. Our mission is to make and create dance that inspires us all, and our vision is to create, through dance, a depth of connection beyond borders, cultures and languages, so we see ourselves in each other.

When artists and audiences talk about Sadler's Wells, they use the words: 'innovative, exciting and risk-taking'. Trying new things has always been part of our core purpose, and it's more important today than it has ever been.

This is an exciting and complex time in the theatre's history as we recover from the impact the coronavirus pandemic has had on our business model and work towards opening a fourth venue in Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park in east London in 2023.

This fixed-term role will offer you the opportunity to bring your ideas, passion, knowledge and experience to Sadler's Wells. In return, the successful candidate will be part of a strong and supportive team in a world class arts organisation.



## **Background Information**

Sadler's Wells is a world-leading creative organisation, dedicated to presenting, producing and touring dance made today in all its forms. Sadler's Wells commissions, presents and produces more dance than any other theatre in the world – from tango to hip hop, ballet to flamenco, Bollywood to cutting-edge contemporary dance. With an innovative, year-round programme of performances and learning activities, this is the place where artists come together to create dance, and where we welcome everyone to experience dance and be inspired.

Our aim is to reflect and respond to the world through dance: enabling artists of all backgrounds to create dance that moves us and opens our minds; sharing those experiences with the widest possible audiences to enrich their lives and deepen their understanding of what it means to be human.

In normal times, over half a million people come to our theatres in London each year, with many more enjoying our touring productions at partner venues across the UK and in cities around the world. Sadler's Wells Theatre has been located in Islington since the 17th century. Our modern day theatre comprises a main auditorium (1,500 seats); the Lilian Baylis Studio (180 seats); three rehearsal studios; bars, a café, facilities for private and corporate entertaining and offices for Sadler's Wells' colleagues.

Our second theatre building and West End home, the Peacock (1,000 seats), is subject to a unique agreement whereby Sadler's Wells and the London School of Economics jointly manage it, with the LSE presenting its lectures to students during the day and Sadler's Wells presenting theatre at night.

#### **Future Plans**

Plans are underway for the development of a fourth venue in east London's Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park. Sadler's Wells' new space will be located on the Stratford Waterfront site, opposite the London Aquatics Centre, alongside UAL's London College of Fashion and the V&A Museum. The site will form part of a new cultural and education district, which will also include a major new University College London (UCL) campus and have direct links to the creative communities already based in east London.

Sadler's Wells' new space will house a 550-seat mid-scale theatre, as well as facilities for a choreographic centre and a hip hop theatre academy, all planned to open by the end of 2023.

## The Role

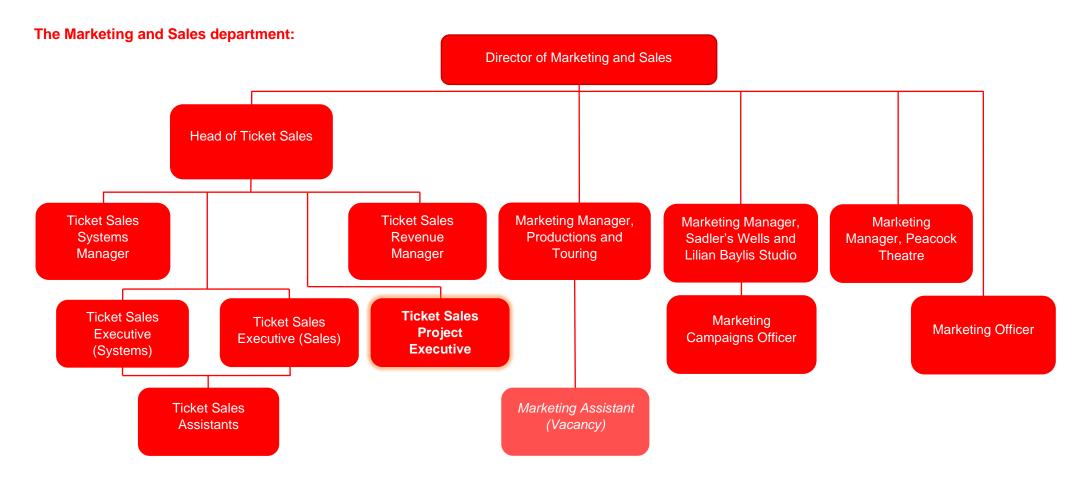
We are recruiting this 3-4 month role to work on our Ticketing and Sales projects and in particular our new website project and support the operations of the team in the recovery year post Covid.

The wider Marketing and Sales department are responsible for devising and implementing marketing and sales strategies to grow and support our audiences for all productions presented at our three theatre venues; Sadler's Wells, The Peacock and Lilian Baylis Studio. The department also works closely with other departments, across Sadler's Wells, to deliver audiences for the organisation, which this role will play a key part in supporting this.

### **The Department**

The Marketing and Sales department comprises of the Marketing team and Ticket Sales team.

The Ticket Sales team are responsible for developing and delivering sales strategies and providing ticketing operations for all Sadler's Wells productions, events and for our Membership scheme. The team are often the first contact an audience member has with the organisation and provide excellent customer service whilst driving engagement and revenue through effective and targeted promotions. The team works with colleagues from across the organisation to optimise customer journeys both online and onsite and provides direction and support across Sadler's Wells in the use of our CRM system, Tessitura.



## What are my responsibilities?

#### Website Project

- Support the Head of Ticket Sales in the project management and delivery of Sadler's Wells' new online booking pathway (TNEW) and associated website
- Project manage user testing of TNEW for internal colleagues and external user groups
- Manage and implement remediation work following testing and the new website going live
- Work with the Director of Marketing and Sales and Head of Ticket Sales to develop and align the customer journey, whilst improving processes to optimise customer touchpoints in order to drive revenue
- Contribute to and support the overall website project delivery and associated objectives in line with the overall project timeline
- Support the Ticket Sales team in all post go-live project snagging, helping train the Ticket Sales team in providing excellent customer support on the new website

### **Ticket Sales Operations**

Support the Head of Ticket Sales and Ticket Sales Management team across their ongoing work, including;

 Support in the administration and Customer Relationship Management of the Membership scheme

- Provide support in Sales and Data Analysis as and when required for Tessitura and associated software
- Provide Systems Support and deliver the ticketing and requirements of the Ticket Sales team, as well as internal departments, external companies and Ticket Agents

#### General

- Supporting the Ticket Sales team and Director of Marketing and Sales in any other related projects
- Represent the Marketing and Sales department of Sadler's Wells as required
- Maximise income and minimise expenditure without loss of quality in all areas of responsibility
- Undertake other duties as may be reasonably required
- Attend occasional staff meetings, training sessions and other events, which may take place outside normal working hours
- At all times to carry out duties and responsibilities with regard to Sadler's Wells' Equality, Diversity and Inclusion and Health and Safety Policies. This may include providing assistance with evacuation procedures or building searches in the event of an emergency at any of Sadler's Wells' premise

THIS JOB DESCRIPTION IS A GUIDE TO THE NATURE OF THE WORK REQUIRED OF THIS POSITION. IT IS NEITHER WHOLLY COMPREHENSIVE NOR RESTRICTIVE AND DOES NOT FORM PART OF THE CONTRACT OF EMPLOYMENT.

# Who should apply?

The successful applicant will demonstrate the following skills, experience, and personal qualities:

#### **Skills and Experience**

#### **Essential:**

- Excellent project management skills and the ability to coordinate a variety of simultaneous activities to tight deadlines and within budget
- Good Experience of Tessitura and management of TNEW
- Data literate, with excellent attention to detail
- Ability to interpret CRM reporting and analytics, problem solve and make improvements to customer journeys to improve engagement and drive revenue
- Good communication skills that can translate technical language and experience of delivering accessible training
- Ability to multi-task and prioritise workload whist managing expectations and meeting deadlines, with a flexible and adaptable attitude to learning new organizational practices
- A good team worker with the ability to develop and maintain good working relationships with colleagues and stakeholders
- A proactive and customer-focused approach
- Must currently hold the right to work in the UK

#### Additional, but not essential:

Substantial freelance experience or proven ability to adapt to organizational practice quickly and flexibly

This role is currently and could remain working remotely for the duration of the contract, but may be required to attend training, in-person at Sadler's Wells (located in London) on occasion.



### Why work for us?

You will be a key part of our mission to make and share dance that inspires us all and delivering our vision to create, through dance, a depth of connection beyond borders, cultures and languages, so we see ourselves in each other.

- You will be offered a salary of £30,000 per annum (pro rata) based on working 35 hours per week, plus an additional paid meal break each day. This is a fixed-term position, due to commence as soon as possible
- You will get 25 days annual leave per annum (pro rata)
- You will be enrolled into the Sadler's Wells Trust Ltd. pension scheme
- You will have access to our comprehensive Employee Assistance Programme (EAP) to support your wellbeing
- You can access an interest-free Season Ticket Loan and a Cycle to Work salary sacrifice scheme
- You will be eligible for a death in service insurance policy covering twice your annual salary
- You will be encouraged to attend performances at both theatres with a discretionary allocation of tickets to employees (subject to availability), and a staff discount at the Garden Court Café
- We welcome everyone through our doors and encourage and enable people to be the best versions of themselves and to feel confident and capable in their roles
- We embrace a blend between home and office working, and we welcome a conversation about flexible working and your needs
- We celebrate diversity in the dance we share and showcase, and in our workplace. We are working hard to be more inclusive and increasing access both on stage and off and have a number of antiracism commitments to make lasting changes in the way we work

### **Making an application**

A Job Description and Person Specification are included in this document. If after reading you are still interested in applying, please find further details and information on how to apply <u>here</u>.

If you would like support or have any queries regarding the format or submission of the application, please contact us on <u>recruitment@sadlerswells.com</u>.

We therefore welcome applications from people from all backgrounds who feel they align with our mission, vision and values. We are international and multicultural on our stages, and we want to reflect that in our organisation. By celebrating difference and incorporating diverse points of view and experiences, we can become closer to our artists, audiences and the communities we serve.

We are proud to be a Disability Confident employer meaning we have been certified by the government as actively taking steps to attract, recruit and retain disabled workers. We understand that some disabled colleagues will need adjustments to help them perform to the best of their ability – these can be changes to the built environment and furniture, the tools and technology they use in doing their job, aspects of the role, ongoing support or working arrangements.

Sadler's Wells also works collaboratively with Parents in Performing Arts (PiPA) in efforts to support parents and carers within the industry.

This is an ongoing vacancy and candidates will be invited to a virtual interview as and when suitable applications are submitted. Once we have found a suitable candidate, the vacancy will be closed without further notice.

