

Calling All Playworkers in Hackney!

Have you or your fellow playworkers had the chance to gain a professional playwork qualification?

Hackney Play Association (HPA), supported by the Learning Trust, are offering qualification courses to playworkers who are currently working on play projects in Hackney. The courses will start in October 2011 and we **urgently** need to know who is interested in taking up this exceptional opportunity for the subsidised cost of £50 per person for playworkers based in Hackney. The cost is £1200 for playworkers outside the Borough. To register your interest please either contact by email or post with the information requested below by **Friday 16th September 2011**.

Programme Information: This programme will provide the recognised full and relevant OFSTED qualifications to meet professional status for providers of play services in out of school settings. The minimum commitment required will be attendance at 30 training sessions during the year which will take place from 9.30-2.30 one day a week during term-time at a local venue, plus preparation of evidence for assessment.

In addition to the standard syllabus HPA will ensure that the latest ideas from practice and theory in playwork are built into the training to encourage and refresh inspiration to be play-centred. Some sessions will be open to colleagues and a high level of support and engagement from managers and co-workers will contribute to the benefits and potential for success from this programme.

The Level 3 Diploma in Playwork (NVQ) is planned to start in October & is suitable for playworkers who:

- Have supervisory or additional responsibilities and/or
- Experience or education in playwork or related work and/or
- Are strongly committed to career development and can ensure that opportunities for supervisory and additional responsibilities are available to them.

The Level 2 Diploma in Playwork (NVQ) will start in either January or March. It is suitable for people who:

- Are just starting to work in the playwork sector and/or
- Have limited related experience or education and/or
- Are currently working at assistant playworker level with no supervisory or additional responsibilities planned within the near future.

Hackney Play Association works to improve play opportunities for children and young people in Hackney.
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Name Job Title Level 2: Y/N Level 3: Y/N

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