



National Museum of Science and Industry

The Science Museum is looking for an outstanding candidate to lead the group that curates the fields of technologies and engineering. As Keeper of Technologies & Engineering you will have an insightful and comprehensive overview of history and development in these areas, with proven academic achievement and publications in one or more specific fields. You should also have a driving interest in the interplay between technology, society and personal life. This broad cultural and historical perspective should be allied with an interest in, and good knowledge of, contemporary and developing practice in technology.

The Science Museum was founded in 1857 with objects shown at the Great Exhibition held in the Crystal Palace. Since then, its collections have kept pace with developments in technology, science and engineering and form one of the world's greatest three-dimensional archives of technology, engineering, science and medicine. Today, the Science Museum, The National Railway Museum, The National Media Museum and the Museum of Science & Industry in Manchester form a unique family of museums and the Science Museum is world renowned for its historic collections, awe-inspiring galleries and inspirational exhibitions and innovative approaches to display and communication.

As Keeper, you will develop interdisciplinary approaches to the display and promotion of the Museum's collection and its relevant fields of research, helping to maintain and expand its national and international reputation.

Your expertise will be integral to the content direction for major projects and to underpinning sponsorship bids. You must have excellent specialist knowledge, with a broad and deep understanding of the intellectual and historical background and frameworks across relevant disciplines. You will be able to manage and guide large teams, shape the Museum's Masterplan and Collecting Plan, and develop long-term relationships with external stakeholders. You will also be able to conceive and lead major international conferences.

Pioneering and visionary in your outlook, you will be able to interpret the Museum's collection and subject areas in innovative and engaging ways. As a proven strategic and creative thinker, you will have experience of working in a senior curatorial role within the museum or heritage sector. Outstanding communication, interpersonal and relationship skills are vital, with the personality, deep knowledge and presence to be a valued ambassador, spokesperson and advocate for the Museum. The ability to apply sound business and financial planning principles to large operational budgets is also important.

For further information about the Science Museum, a full job description and details of how to apply, please visit www.sciencemuseum.org.uk/jobs

Closing date: Monday 5 March 2012

We welcome applications from all sections of the community in which we work. We particularly welcome applications from disabled people and we guarantee interviews to suitably qualified disabled applicants.

Location:	South Kensington, London
Category:	Curatorial
Duration:	
Type of Contract:	Permanent
Hours:	Full Time
added: Feb. 17, 2012	deadline: March 5, 2012

More information: <http://www.sciencemuseum.org.uk/jobs>