

Views Cataloguer, King's Topographical Collection



British Library

St. Pancras, London

£24,828 - £28,266 pa + benefits

Fixed Term, 12 months.

We are looking for a suitably qualified cataloguer of prints and drawings to identify and catalogue topographical views from King George III's Topographical Collection. Housed at the British Library, the King's Topographical Collection is one of the world's greatest collections of topographical prints and drawings, dating from the primarily 17th, 18th and 19th centuries. As Views Cataloguer, you will be part of an exciting new project to digitise and catalogue this unique and internationally important collection.

Your main tasks will be to identify views of America, China, the Iberian Peninsula and the Spanish Empire within the Kings Topographical Collection, much of which is currently insufficiently researched and inaccessible to the public. You will use your familiarity with prints and print processes as well as published and online resources to research these views, and your clear and concise catalogue entries will enable the public to search and navigate images in the collection for the first time. The job will involve collaboration with external partners and other departments across the Library: you will ensure a steady flow of material to Imaging Services for photography and attach the resulting digital images to the British Library's catalogue, and you will work with Collection Care on identifying items which need conservation.

With a first degree in history of art, history or geography or a related discipline, you will have at least one year's experience of working in a museum or library environment and an understanding of cataloguing visual materials and prints and of current cataloguing systems. You will have a good knowledge and understanding of the techniques and conventions of topographical imagery and their publishing history. You will have an interest in and some knowledge of the British Library's collections, the history of travel, local history, architecture and/or cultural history. You will have a reading knowledge of at least one language other than English, and will have clear and concise communication skills. You will also be able to demonstrate your ability to operate in the context of a large scale project, ensuring quality while meeting deadlines.

For further information and to apply online for this role, please visit the British Library Careers website using the 'more information' link below.

Location:	St. Pancras, London
Category:	Curatorial
Duration:	
Type of Contract:	Temporary
Hours:	Full Time
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More information: http://gs10.globalsuccessor.com/fe/tpl_britishlibrary01.asp?newms=jj&id=94860&aid=17303