

Volunteer Opportunities!!!

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Below is information about two important and effective ways you can volunteer to support ThaiCraft - a market opportunity dedicated to village micro-enterprises in Thailand

Are **YOU** the person we are looking for? Do you know someone else who might be?

1. Volunteer Coordinator for ThaiCraft Fair

You will recruit, administrate and organise volunteers (of all nationalities) who offer to help ThaiCraft's artisan producers at ThaiCraft Fairs. You are already living in Bangkok and will work in partnership with ThaiCraft's employed local staff team.

General job description : You will be involved in

- Recruiting new volunteers and encouraging existing volunteers
- Developing a volunteer process
- Managing volunteers' work and overseeing volunteer activities
- Working closely with ThaiCraft staff to coordinate the role of volunteers.

Main requirements are:

- Some general background knowledge of Thailand and Bangkok
- An understanding of 'social entrepreneurship' and an advocate of 'Fair Trade'
- Intend to be resident in Thailand for at least twelve more months, preferably longer
- Necessary costs will be provided by ThaiCraft (but no remuneration)
- Some previous organisational experience (in business and/or marketing an advantage)
- Attendance at ThaiCraft Fairs a priority and able to work some weekdays to attend staff meetings, give ThaiCraft presentations and to meet and train volunteers.
- Able to relate well with high-school students as well as with adults of any background
- Sociable, sense of humour, motivated by both altruism and personal fulfilment
- Fluency in English essential. Some Thai helpful. Japanese and/or Korean also useful.

ThaiCraft is also seeks people with special professional skills to act as



2. Volunteer Advisors for Producers



Specific project areas of need:

- Help develop professional skills of ThaiCraft's producer partners:
Marketing, business administration, production management
Product design and development, packaging, promotional materials
- Fair Trade' development: group self-appraisals, capacity-building, community relations, compliance, reports, project proposals, fund raising
- Language teaching (English, Japanese) for salespeople at ThaiCraft Fair

General job description:

- Work to support ThaiCraft's development and product related staff team in Bangkok and at villages (in all parts of Thailand) as necessary;
- Necessary costs will be provided by ThaiCraft (but no remuneration);
- Take part in transfer projects in business, design and social enterprise skills;
- Willing to commit some time to either on-going or one-off projects as appropriate, advise in project planning, sometimes to write proposals or prepare reports;
- Understanding that success comes only when producers feel they own their projects.

Ideal Requirements

- Skill(s) and/or experience that would be useful for village production and marketing enterprises;
- An understanding of 'social entrepreneurship' and an advocate of 'Fair Trade';
- Respect for and willingness to learn from producers and ability to think from their perspective, more in practical than in theoretical terms;
- Sense of humour, patience, motivated by both altruism and personal fulfilment;
- Ability to communicate in either English or Thai (or in both languages).

Interested?

If any of the above strikes a chord and you would consider contributing – even if you cannot fulfil all the requirements – please do introduce yourself to us!

** Please tell us a little about yourself by sending us an email at volunteers@thaicraft.org giving the following information briefly:

- The job position that interests you (Vol. Coordinator or Vol. Producer Advisor)
- A little background about yourself with any related experiences and/or aspirations
- Explain in what way you think you could help us and our partner artisans.

As soon as we hear from you, we will be in contact with you. We are excited to meet you and to find out what you could offer our village entrepreneurs to help secure future wellbeing for themselves, their families and communities.

