



LYG Trustee Recruitment - Advert 2024

The London Youth Games was launched in 1977 to celebrate the Queen's Silver Jubilee. Since then, as a registered charitable foundation (Charity Number: 1048705) the Games have provided unique, accessible competitive sporting opportunities to over 1.5 million young Londoners. Nike is a current headline sponsor of the Games.

Since Covid, there has been a remarkable bounce back in the participation of young Londoners in LYG events, bringing valuable physical and mental wellness benefits to participants across 33 London boroughs. In 2023, the London Youth Games finals became the first youth multi-sport, multi-venue event to be hosted in the Olympic Park since the London 2012 Olympics, at which LYG alumni such as David Weir and Mo Farah won medals.

LYG continues to work in close partnership with Sport England, the Greater London Authority, and all London Boroughs and our current title sponsor Nike to continue to bring the LYG to young Londoners, with an innovative physical and virtual programme of events. In an Olympic and Paralympic year, LYG has the potential to reassert its relevance, and to inspire the next generation to start, succeed and stay in sport and physical activity.

LYG can boast celebrated alumni such as Alex Scott, Linford Christie, Bradley Wiggins, Dina Asher-Smith and Raheem Sterling.

LYG is dedicated to delivering high-quality opportunities. We do this through five main strategic programme pillars. These are the Open Games (Community Sport), School Games (School Sport), LYG 33 (Youth Voice Engagement), Games Force (Volunteering) and, Inclusive Coaches (Coach Development).

The organisation recently strengthened its board of directors, which is chaired by former Karate World Champion Geoff Thompson MBE and consists of a number of trustees drawn from both LYG participating London Boroughs, and independent private sector experts.

Vacancies have opened up for two new independent trustees, with preference given to candidates with either direct experience of frontline delivery of youth schools sports in London; and/or a qualified professional background in accountancy and finance.

So, where do you come in?

Trustee

You will become a member of a Board that has the responsibility of setting the strategic aims and objectives for LYG and ensuring that they are fulfilled while having a hugely positive impact on young people today.

We are looking for individuals who are innovative thinkers, who see beyond the now and want to be a part of providing bigger and better sport and physical activity to the young people of London.



LYG are looking for the following:

- Someone who is innovative and has a vision for improving sport for young people in London.
- Someone with a strong personal or family connection to London.
An enthusiastic individual, ideally with a track record of connecting with the youth of London.
- Someone who can relate to diverse youth communities across London.
- The ability to commit to 6 Board meetings annually and attendance at some LYG events.
- An individual with a passion for sport and the positive impact sport can have.
- Either direct experience of frontline delivery of youth schools' sports in London and/or a qualified professional background in accountancy and finance.

Specific Commitments for Trustee with Finance and Accountancy Expertise

The successful candidate with Financial and Accounting expertise will:

- Be an active member of LYG's Finance, Audit, Risk and Governance committee (additional 4 meetings per year).
- Have potential to Chair Finance, Audit, Risk and Governance committee.
- Support Executive with Annual Audit and to be the Board point of contact for auditors.

LYG encourages first time Trustees to apply for this position as you will be provided with support to ease you into your role. LYG is committed to Equality, Diversity and Inclusion and welcomes applications from people from all backgrounds.

We are grateful to the generosity of Vallum Associates who are supporting us with the appointment process. If you require further information, please contact Malvin Kamara mkamara@vallumassociates.com

To apply, please send a covering letter outlining your interest and suitable skills and a copy of your CV to the above address.

Closing Date: 4th June