

Britian Yearly Meeting 2013

Young People's Programme for 11 to 15 year olds



Adult volunteer role

The aim of the Yearly Meeting Young People's Programme is to offer an exciting and challenging weekend with links to the Yearly Meeting topics, as well as opportunities to be creative, have fun, play games and worship. It is an opportunity for young Friends to engage with the national Quaker community and participate in activities with their peers as well as the wider Quaker community.

In 2013 the Young People's Programme will be based at Felden Lodge, a conference centre in Hemel Hempstead just 20 minutes by train from Euston. The programme will at times join with BYM sessions at Friends House. The theme will be agreed by the Arrangements Committee at their weekend in December 2012, when they will also fix elements of the programme. At the March weekend, the whole team will develop this planning and agree the detailed programme for the event.

BYM Young People's Programme will run as follows:

- **11 to 15 year olds** (for those in English school years 7, 8, 9 and 10): A full residential programme running from Friday evening to Monday afternoon, starting and finishing in Friends House in London and based at Felden Lodge in Hemel Hempstead.
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The adult volunteer role is key to the effective running of the event and includes:

- **Support:** Adult volunteers will work alongside the Arrangements Committee and staff to plan and facilitate the programme. They will support the Arrangement Committee team members (including helping them plan for their role and working alongside them in sessions). Adult volunteers will have the role of supporting an Arrangements Committee member, helping them to reflect on their practice as facilitators and undertaking the completion of the relevant paperwork for the Quaker Youth Work Recognition Scheme certificates. The role also includes supporting the wider event including when not directly involved with running a session.
 - **Development:** Adult volunteers should work to encourage the spiritual and personal development of young people in a variety of ways.
 - **Pastoral Care:** All adult volunteers should strive to get alongside young people and provide them with pastoral care through building relationships which model appropriate and inclusive behaviour, in line with the Event & Activity Management policy and the boundaries / confidentiality agreement for the event.
 - **Facilitation:** Adult volunteers will contribute to the programme, for example by facilitating main sessions, activities or small group discussions.
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The Young People's Programme team comprises:

Adult Volunteers: After a process of application 4 individuals will be invited to join the Young People's Programme team. A couple of others will be asked if they are willing to be reserves (to be contacted if a team member is unable to participate).

Arrangements Committee: 4 Arrangements Committee are part of the Young People's Programme team. They were nominated by participants at BYM 2012 to work alongside staff and adult volunteers in planning and facilitating the programme.

Staff: Ruth Charles will have responsibility for oversight and coordination of the programme and will support the Young People's Programme team in preparing for and running the event.

Commitment required: All adult volunteers are required to attend the following:

- **Young People's Programme team planning:** 15 to 17 March (Friday evening to Sunday early afternoon) at Felden Lodge, Hemel Hempstead. This weekend is for the whole team (although the young people will arrive on Saturday morning) and will include planning, exploring roles, building the team, considering participant needs and visiting the centre.
- **Britain Yearly Meeting:** Friday 24 May (mid afternoon) to Monday 27 May 2013 (mid afternoon), starting and ending in Friends House London, with the event based at Felden Lodge, Hemel Hempstead.

All expenses for adult volunteers, including accommodation, travel and food are reimbursed.
