

## **Dunyvaig Excavation Community Liaison Office 2019**

Islay Heritage wishes to appoint a Community Liaison Officer to support public and schools engagement with the 2019 excavation at Dunyvaig Castle, 15 August – 4 September 2019. The role will be at £12/hour up to a maximum of 75 hours.

The aim of the role is to identify, organise and support the delivery of activities at Dunyvaig that will engage as many members of the Islay Community as possible. These will fall into two categories: School events and Community events.

The Community Liaison Office will report to Professor Steven Mithen, Director of the Dunyvaig Project.

### **Tasks for the SCHOOL EVENTS will include:**

- Liaison with the teachers from the Islay and Jura Primary Schools and the High School to establish how they wish to visit and engage with the Dunyvaig excavation
- Planning the visits and organising the activities at Dunyvaig with the archaeologists
- Facilitating the organisation of the visits for the Schools
- Delivering the on-site visits supported by the archaeologists
- Follow-up with the Schools for feedback and reporting on classroom activities

### **Tasks for the COMMUNITY EVENTS will include:**

- Identifying, organising and supporting the delivery of three themed days at the excavation to engage members of the community.

In 2018, the themed days were a Bake-Off that involved members of the community bringing cakes based on the castle, an Artists' Day led by Dietmar Finger and a Photography Day led by Ben Shakespeare. Possibilities for 2019 include poetry, drama and music days.

### **Applicants are required to have**

- A strong background in archaeology
- Experience of events organisation and administration
- Experience of working with teachers and school children
- Knowledge of the range of community and creative arts groups on Islay
- Understanding of Islay's community and economy
- Excellent communication skills

### **To apply**

Send a letter by email describing how you meet the requirements and would approach these tasks to Professor Steven Mithen, Director of the Dunyvaig Project, at [s.j.mithen@reading.ac.uk](mailto:s.j.mithen@reading.ac.uk) by Friday 29 March 2019. Interviews will take place on Thursday 4 April 2019.