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The National Lates Survey 2017: Culture24

Culture24, is conducting research, funded by Arts Council England and supported by Airbnb, into UK after-hours events (Lates) and extended opening hours in culture and heritage venues in the UK. Over the next few months they will be reaching out to venue staff, visitors and sector organisations to get data and opinions through a variety of methods including surveys, interviews and focus groups.

They are asking all venue professionals and volunteers responsible for after-hours events to [fill out this short survey](#) to canvas the opinions of the widest possible cross-section of our sector. The survey will take a maximum of ten minutes to fill out and there is an incentive of a big box of chocolates for one lucky contributor!

Mentoring for All Launches In England And Scotland

Mentoring for All, a pilot mentoring scheme that will run across England and Scotland from June to November 2017, is now open for applications from prospective mentees and mentors. Funded by Arts Council England and Museums Galleries Scotland and administered by the Museums Association (MA), the aim of the scheme is to make mentoring as accessible as possible, to as many people as possible. [Mentoring for All more information and application forms](#)

Museums Association: Museums in the UK: 2017 Report

[An article on Museums + Heritage Advisor has highlighted the results of a UK wide survey and report by the Museums Association which shows the mixed results of the health of museums.](#) The Museums in the UK: 2017 Report looks at the performance and activity of museums during the financial year 2015/16. **This article is worth looking at.**

Applications Are Open: Marsh Trust Award 2017

Applications are open for this year's [Volunteers for Museum Learning Award](#), presented by the British Museum and the Marsh Christian Trust. The award celebrates the contribution of volunteers in museums, galleries and heritage sites all over the UK. The closing date for applications is Friday 14 July 2017.

ABTEM: Larger & Working Objects Guidelines. Call For Interested Parties

ABTEM are producing new guidelines for museums and private collectors with larger and working objects. The guidelines will cover stationary engines, industrial machinery, road vehicles, aircraft, railway vehicles, ships, boats and other working items. [ABTEM are seeking interested parties with any large or working objects in their collections](#) that would be able to feed into the

process by either responding to questionnaires or submitting case studies that can illustrate the decision-making process and conservation ethos of a particular treatment.