# purning

### **ROLE DESCRIPTION**

Role Title: Temple Guardian
Team: Temple Guardians
Department: Curation, Arts and Culture

#### **Team Description**

The Temple Guardian team is a group of people dedicated to honouring the opportunity the Temple provides as spiritual heart of the burn. We aim to promote the Temple as a place for healing and growth, and cultivate a culture of respect for such a place in our community.

#### **Role Summary/Purpose:**

Be present to preserve the safety of the Temple and its visitors, while ensuring its intent and its traditions are being respected.

#### Major team projects for 2017:

- Maintain a presence at the Temple throughout the burn
- Broaden the discussion about the Temple and it's possibilities within the Seed community

#### Working relationships:

- Temple artist/ build team
- Crew wranglers
- PEER

#### Time Commitment/Dates required:

- **Year Round:** keeping up to date with Temple Guardian emails and participation in group decision making
- On Site: minimum of 2 x 3 hour shifts during Seed
- Post-event: participation in feedback/ debriefing

#### **Duties/Responsibilities**

- Being present at the Temple
- When asked, explaining to newcomers what the Temple can be
- Opening a respectful dialogue with burners yet to embrace the opportunity the Temple provides, seeking to persuade them of the importance of respecting the space.
- Referring attendees to PEER or other relevant support services should the need arise.

#### Key challenges

- Guarding the Temple while allowing for self-expression
- Holding space for people attending the Temple without interference with their journey
- Personal reflection on the meaning of the Temple for you
- Communicating effectively with the Seed community about our role as Temple Guardians



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#### Necessary Qualities, Knowledge and Experience:

- A love for the Temple
- A commitment to caring for the Temple
- Good verbal communication skills
- Friendly, open demeanour

#### Desirable Qualities, Knowledge and Experience:

- Experience in holding space for people experiencing loss and grief
- Verbal de-escalation skills
- An interest in the value of secular spirituality and ritual

How to Join: Register to join the crew via completing the Crew registration Form found here.

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