

## **Festival Maker video transcript**

[At the top left of the image a Durham County Council logo followed by the text 'Volunteer to become a festival maker!' are displayed. Both are visible throughout the video.]

[Amanda Dunnington, Festival Maker.]

[Head and shoulder video of Amanda standing on the right looking towards the camera. Behind Amanda is a very busy Bishop Auckland marketplace with stalls and people milling about. Throughout the video the sound of this gathering can be heard in the background as Amanda speaks.]

[As Amanda speaks various video clips of festivals are shown, as detailed within the transcript below.]

[Amanda]

I live in the Durham City so when they first started doing the Lumiere festival me and my Dad thought it would be quite something to do together, so we both did the first year together and then we've been doing volunteer work ever since.

[Video clips: The Lumiere light show installations in locations around Durham city and the people visiting them are shown. These include the projected coloured light installation onto Durham Cathedral and the Whale on the River Wear.]

Just the absolute atmosphere that was going on - everything was just incredible - I've never seen anything quite like it. I've never seen so many people altogether enjoying themselves, I've never seen so many people just so interested in the city.

Since I've been doing Lumiere, I've done food festivals – this is my second year at the food festival.

[Video clip of a couple visiting a food stall which has all the jars of preserves displayed.]

I've done two of the cycling events, one in the city and one back here as well and I've also done the muddy event - Muddy Mayhem - which was the messiest thing I've ever done in my life.

[Video clips of cyclist travelling over the cobbled streets in Durham and of the Muddy Mayhem competitors – all looking very muddy – wading through knee deep water.]

[Video clip and with the sound of crowds visiting the food festival.]

To be honest it's just something that I really enjoy doing you can do so many different things with the guys here, they're all really nice to work with and if you're at events like this you get free samples as well which is even better.

[Video clip of a young boy in a pushchair eating, followed by various clips around the food festival.]

Starting off a little bit early, we do start at about eight o'clock when we're coming to these type of events, but we do anything from stewarding, we've got a lot of work with the public obviously.

Anything from clearing up to putting marquees up to bringing them down, just generally anything and everything.

It is really good fun yeah there's so many different people and you always have a good laugh with some of them.

Absolutely do it, first chance you get. The events that you get to go to are incredible, there's not many times that you would say I'm going to go to Bishop Auckland one weekend and I'm going to go to a cycling event the next weekend and, just the amount, broad range of stuff you can do is incredible.

As long as you're over 18 pretty much anyone can do it - if you want to be expanding on your work experience or if you just really like working with the public – basically anyone can come along and join in.

[Text in black on a white background reads:]

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