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4,000 SIGN UP TO CABOT CIRCUS JOBS

The Bristol Alliance has today revealed that over 4,000 jobseekers have now registered on the Cabot Circus jobs website.

Since its launch in late February, the Cabot Circus Jobs website has been inundated with requests from jobseekers vying for a chance to be a part of the scheme when it opens in September.

Over 4,000 new jobs will be created by the £500 million Cabot Circus development with a huge variety of jobs on offer in retail, leisure, hospitality and other industries. There are numerous full and part-time opportunities available from entry level through to senior level management positions.

Developed by the Bristol Alliance and the employment and training partnership West at Work, Cabot Circus Jobs is a free service aimed at giving job seekers the assistance they need to secure a position at Cabot Circus.

Bristol Alliance Liaison Manager, Michelle Poulter commented: "We have had a fantastic response since we launched Cabot Circus Jobs and it looks set to continue with retailers such as House of Fraser, Harvey Nichols and Pravins currently advertising online. The recruitment process will continue throughout the summer so jobseekers should make sure they register as soon as possible to give themselves an even better chance of employment."

The comprehensive package of support includes a series of free, specialist training courses, a three day Cabot Circus Jobs fair to be held from 6 - 8 June and a dedicated website – www.cabotcircusjobs.com. A Cabot Circus Jobs Bus is also touring the city now to give local communities access to professional information and advice on their doorstep.

There are also a series of community information points (listed below) across the city where people can access face-to-face advice. They also offer the following additional support:

- free web access
- information on the latest free pre-employment training and other courses on offer
- advice on registering and applying for jobs at Cabot Circus
- guidance on applications

There are seven key Community Information Points across Bristol at the following locations:

North	SCART 169 Greystoke Avenue Southmead (0117 950 5200)	Information & Resource Centre 50 Ridingleaze, Lawrence Weston (0117 982 5414)	Information & Resource Centre (Lockleaze/ Upper Horfield) 369 Filton Avenue, Horfield (0117 969 4633)
Central & Eastern	Employment Links The Old Bank 108 Church Road Redfield (0117 3789200)	Citywide Learning Centre 50 Wade Street, St Judes (0117 955 1935)	St Paul's Learning & Family Centre 94, Grosvenor Road St Paul's (0117 9145470)
South	Learn4Work, Hartcliffe & Withywood Ventures Gatehouse Centre, Hareclive Road, Hartcliffe (0117 9781708)		

Cabot Circus Jobs advisors will also be on hand at a range of jobs fairs, community events and recruitment days over the coming months (either at the Cabot Circus stand or on the Cabot Circus Jobs Bus). Events include those listed below.

Thurs 15 May	10.00 am - 2.00 pm	Jobcentre Plus Jobs Fair and Advice Day	Trinity Centre, Lawrence Hill
Fri 6 June Sat 7 June Sun 8 June	12.00 pm - 7.00 pm 10.00 am - 6.00 pm 10.00 am - 5.00 pm	Cabot Circus Jobs Fair	The Marriott City Centre Hotel
Sat 5 July	11.00 am – 7.00 pm	St Paul's Carnival	Cabot Circus Jobs Bus in Portland Square
Sat 12 July	9.00 am - 4.00 pm	Southmead Festival	Glencoyne Square, Southmead

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