
Historical Interpreter (Part-Time), Old Barracks Museum

The Old Barracks Museum, a top-rated historic site in NJ's capital city, seeks a Historical Interpreter. We are seeking a motivated, talented, and creative individual to help produce positive visitor learning experiences for all ages, who wants to work at a unique site with a talented and passionate staff who share a love of history, preservation, and heritage tourism.

Responsibilities for Historical Interpreters:

- o Conduct tours of the Old Barracks, leading visitors through the building and interpreting its history
- o Employ both 1st and 3rd person style interpretation
- o Take part in school and group programming
- o Conduct and assist with living history demonstrations of period skills and practices
- o Assist with creating social media content
- o Follow safety procedures established for the site
- o Engage with visitors and coworkers with hospitality, professionalism, and courtesy
- o Wear, maintain, and interpret historic clothing daily
- o Perform other duties as assigned

Requirements:

- o Candidates must have the ability to interpret accurate historical information to the public, and be able to articulate complex ideas to individuals and groups, in both an interpretive setting and with coworkers
- o Candidates must be able to perform physically strenuous tasks such as lifting up to 50 pounds, sitting and standing up repeatedly, and using hand tools for extended periods of time
- o Must be able to work outdoors in varied and occasionally extreme weather conditions
- o Must be able and willing to wear period appropriate attire daily, in all weather and working conditions, and adhere to an 18th-century manner and appearance as described in the manual
- o May be required to work with and around cooking fires

Qualifications:

- o Candidates must have the ability to interpret historical information to the public, and be able to articulate complex ideas to others, including individuals and groups, in both an interpretive setting and with coworkers.
- o Must be able to learn new skills and techniques, especially historic practices, trade skills, and tool usage
- o Proficiency with MS Office and Google Suite

o Ability and willingness to use email

Preferred Qualifications

o Minimum two years college education with focus on history, especially the 18th century, and/or two years working as historical interpreter at a living history site

o Knowledge of 18th century skills or trades

o Knowledge of or interest in African American history

o Knowledge of or interest in the history of NJ's Indigenous peoples

This position is a part-time job, 24 hours per week. Hours are Wed-Sat 9:30-3:30. Hours are subject to change. Starts at \$18.50 Must be able to work Saturdays.

The Old Barracks Association is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply.

Please include a cover letter with the resume.

Job Types: Part-time

Salary: \$18.50 /hour

COVID-19 considerations:

Proof of vaccinations required, masks are required by all visitors to the museum.