Historical Interpreter Position Description

Heritage Hill State Historical Park is a 56-acre living history site in Green Bay, Wisconsin featuring over 25 buildings from the 17th – 20th centuries. This mission of HHSHP is to enrich the lives of others by sharing Northeast Wisconsin’s diverse cultural and historic ties that bind our communities together. This is achieved through the use of traditional museum exhibits and historical interpreters engaged in period appropriate pastimes. Learn more about Heritage Hill on our website.

Position Description
Seasonal historical interpreters share the stories of Northeastern Wisconsin with visitors of all ages through demonstrations, presentations, storytelling, and performances. They work within a variety of historic buildings, wear period appropriate clothing, and demonstrate traditional skills and crafts. Historic interpreters report to the Director of Engagement & Visitor Services.

Primary Duties
- Learn historical material related to one or more areas of the park and be able to take training/direction from senior interpreters and staff
- Use third-person interpretation to informally engage with visitors of all ages
- Utilize special skills (listed below) to perform living history demonstrations
- Wear, care for, and clean historically accurate clothing, props, and buildings
- Provide excellent, friendly customer service
- Other duties as assigned

Note: We are looking to fill specific roles for the 2024 interpretive season: late 1700s fur trader (male or female, any age); 1830s soldiers (males, aged 16-30); 1830s military surgeon (males, aged 30-40); blacksmith (male, any age). Other candidates will be considered after Heritage Hill has filled these priority roles.

Special Skills
Experience in or a strong desire to learn living history skills such as (but not limited to) military drills, blacksmithing, print making, textile art, carpentry, historic cooking, farming/gardening, music (vocal or instrumental), historic firearms, language skills, etc.

Work Environment
This position requires primarily outdoor work which can occur in adverse climate conditions. Work may be performed in poorly lit areas, near open fires, and in areas that vary from quiet to loud. Applicants should be able to lift/carry up to 25 lbs. Accommodations can be made on a case-by-case basis and those in need of accommodation are encouraged to apply.
Work Schedule
This is a part-time, seasonal position that runs from May 1 – October 31. See website for operational hours here. Additional hours may be required for special events. New hires must be able to work weekdays beginning in May and be available for pre-season training in April.

Salary
$15/hour for those seeking paid employment. This position is also available to those seeking unpaid volunteer roles. Job duties for both are the same.

Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until filled. Heritage Hill State Historical Park is a 501(c)3 non-profit educational organization. To apply please email a cover letter and resume to claire@heritagehillgb.org. Heritage Hill State Historical Park is an equal opportunity employer.