

**INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITY** 

# **Museum Education Internship**

Museum - Two Mississippi Museums

Compensation: \$2,000.00 Application deadline: April 16, 2023

The Mississippi Department of Archives & History seeks a *Museum Education Intern* to serve at the Two Mississippi Museums. This education internship offers unique opportunities to learn about all aspects of educational programming. Working with the Two Mississippi Museums Education Team, an intern will engage in hands-on learning by designing and facilitating programs and activities for various audiences. Activities include leading thematic programs for students, intergenerational families, and adult audiences; designing and facilitating participatory and informal exhibit activities; participating in research and writing projects; and creating lesson plans to help provide educators and visitors with methods and materials for using primary sources as teaching tools.

### **Primary Responsibilities:**

- Assist with executing Two Mississippi Museums Summer Camps (History Exploration and Freedom Summer).
- Develop hands-on activities that can be presented in the permanent exhibits and temporary galleries.
- Engage visitors from the general public in historical inquiry activities during events or while staffing the galleries, honing public speaking and teaching techniques.
- Assist with tours, both in-person and virtual.
- Write *Theme Tours* with engaging activities on specific topics in the Two Mississippi Museums.
- Help develop Family and Student Guides for museums and temporary exhibits.
- Collaborate on the development of other programs for all the museums' audiences.
- Present a summary of your internship at the Intern Expo in late July.

#### **Requirements:**

- Excellent interpersonal skills.
- Experience working with people of various age groups and backgrounds is preferred.
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills.
- Interest in U.S. political and social history.
- The ability to work collaboratively with Two Mississippi Museum staff and volunteers.
- The ability to manage several projects simultaneously with deadlines.
- A willingness to try new things.

The 2MM Education Team firmly believes that internships are a learning experience and will provide training for all programs and projects. You don't need a background in education to be a successful intern.

## Time Commitment:

140 hours required. Hours are flexible, Tuesdays through Saturdays, between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., with occasional evenings and weekends required. The schedule will be determined based on availability and agreements between the intern and MDAH staff.

## How to Apply:

- Please submit an online application through the **MDAH website** by April 16, 2023.
- Email a resume, cover letter, and any additional documentation to mdahinternships@mdah.ms.gov.
  *Note*: Your application is incomplete without these additional documents.

For more information, please contact the Volunteer and Internships Coordinator, Erin Blackledge, at (601) 576-6985 or eblackledge@mdah.ms.gov.

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