



museum of
danish america

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Yes - I would like to volunteer!

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Date: _____

There are many volunteer opportunities available at the Museum of Danish America. Some of these areas of need may be done off-site or remotely. To help us determine where your experience and talents may be best used, please take a few minutes to tell us more about yourself.

Are you a current member of the museum? (not required) ____Yes ____No

What days and times would be suitable to your schedule? Regular museum hours are 9am to 5pm Monday-Friday, 10am to 5pm Saturday, and 12pm to 5pm Sunday. We do need help for occasional special events "after hours" _____

How often would you like to volunteer?

_____ Occasionally, as needed

_____ Monthly

_____ Weekly

_____ Other (please describe: _____)

Please describe your work preferences. Check all that apply.

_____ I prefer to work with a partner or group.

_____ I prefer to work mostly on my own.

_____ I prefer to have multiple short tasks that are varied.

_____ I prefer to focus on one in-depth task at a time.

_____ I prefer working with the public and/or school children.

_____ I prefer working behind-the-scenes.

What is your educational and/or work background?

Interested in any of the areas below? Check all that apply. (NOTE: * indicates may be done remotely)

Hospitality/Public Programs

- Hospitality (serve / replenish refreshments for events such as Brown Bag Lunches, exhibit openings, receptions, festivals, special museum events)
- Baking (for annual and special events)
- Transportation (drive interns or visiting speakers to/from the airport)
- Housing for guests (accommodations for visiting speakers or others)
- Programs (school tour guide, book reading, craft demonstrator, craft helper)
- Representing museum at outreach events regionally and nationally *

Curatorial

- Computer data entry, digital photography
- Research services (collection artifacts, exhibits) *
- Assisting with behind-the-scenes tours
- Transport traveling exhibitions to next venues
- Sewing projects (as needed) *
- Identifying photographs and slides

Genealogy Center

- Research services (family history)
- Translations (Danish to English) *
- Data Entry *
- Proofreading *
- Newspaper clipping *
- Obituary processing

Facilities and Grounds:

- Jens Jensen Prairie Landscape Park (weeding, trimming, watering)
- Bedstemor's House (flower bed maintenance)
- Wall painting
- Moving / heavy lifting

Social Media:

- Creating blog content *
- Writing articles *
- Creating themed "Pinterest" boards for items on our web store *

Please describe additional skills you have to share. These may be crafts or hobbies, musical or artistic talents, experience with youth or adults, etc.

Each year, volunteers contribute hundreds of hours toward the sustainability of the mission of the Museum of Danish America. Thank you for considering sharing your time and talent. When completed, please mail, drop off or email this form to Terri Johnson, Administrative Manager, terri.johnson@danishmuseum.org