



### **Position Announcement: VOLUNTEER DOCENTS**

The Maryland Historical Society (MdHS), a museum and library in Baltimore, is recruiting volunteer docents to deliver interactive tours and programs for student and adult groups. We are seeking candidates who have an interest in history, enjoy working with the public, and feel comfortable speaking to groups. Training on MdHS collections, exhibitions, tour methodology and themes, and museum policies will be provided. Volunteers are scheduled as needed upon mutual agreement with MdHS staff for the following:

#### School Tours

- Offered on Wednesdays and Fridays between 9:00 am and 2:00 pm from September through June
- 2 hour museum tours that emphasize many hands-on activities rather than lecturing
- Primarily for elementary and middle school students with occasional high school groups

#### Adult Tours

- Offered occasionally Wednesdays through Sundays between 10:00 am and 5:00 pm year-round
- 1 hour museum tours that combine docent-led discussions with lecture
- Primarily for senior adults

We prefer candidates willing to deliver both school and adult tours. Additional volunteer opportunities are occasionally available for non-school groups, summer programs, and public programs.

#### Qualifications

- 18 years or older (parent/teen teams considered)
- Enthusiastic and friendly personality
- Interest in and some knowledge of American history and culture (Maryland history desired)
- Physical ability to lead indoor walking tours (including stairs) of up to 2 hours
- Background in history, art, or art history preferred
- Experience in museum , teaching, public speaking, or theater preferred

#### Benefits

- Complimentary MdHS membership, including free library and museum admission
- Complimentary admission to MdHS lectures and programs
- Professional orientation and ongoing monthly training
- Annual enrichment field trip
- An opportunity to make new friends with similar interests!

#### To Apply

- Please mail your completed Education Volunteer Application to:  
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- Or you may email your application to: [darmenti@mdhs.org](mailto:darmenti@mdhs.org)