



## Historic Educator/Demonstrator

### Responsibilities

- demonstrates and interprets the domestic program (cooking, gardening, food preservation, textiles, etc.) or agricultural activities (field work with draft horses, livestock care and use of machinery, cutting wood, morning and evening chores, etc.) in a 19<sup>th</sup> century farm site or village for school tours, day camp groups and the general public
- demonstrates and actively involves general visitors in hand-on activities
- conducts education programs primarily through May and June and October for both children and adults as assigned
- contributes to the interpretation of 19<sup>th</sup> century life by participating in the execution of site special events
- attends staff meetings and staff development workshops and trainings
- studies and understands historical resource materials and other information provided; conducts research to enhance site knowledge and programs as directed by Lead Interpreter or Curator of Interpretation
- assists with routine site maintenance and cleaning

### Qualifications

Good communication and interpersonal skills required. Must be willing to learn historical information and techniques and possess enthusiasm for demonstrating it to general visitors and school groups. College degree or working towards one in agriculture, history, education, American studies or related field OR equivalent combination of education, experience and training preferred. Ability to perform physical tasks needed to authentically re-create the activities of a 19<sup>th</sup> c. working farm or household required. Education/experience in living history interpretation a plus. Previous experience working with volunteers of all ages helpful.

### Position Status/Benefits

Seasonal position April to October (schedule includes working Saturday or Sunday) 16-35 hours per week; part-time hours available in December (schedule depends on number of programs booked). State residency required. Limited Term Employment position, starting at \$7.25/hour.

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