Volunteer Opportunities at the Bellamy Mansion Museum

The Bellamy Mansion Museum of History & Design Arts offers many opportunities for volunteers. We encourage both men and women to join the team. For more about us, visit the website at <u>www.bellamymansion.org</u>.

- 1. <u>Interpreter</u>: Interpreters begin as House Hosts and after completing training they begin offering the premium in-person 90-minute tour. Interpreters are provided with written materials and training tours. Interpreters choose a 10 am tour, noon tour, or 2 pm tour convenient to their schedule, and they volunteer on a weekly basis usually, although some prefer a less frequent commitment.
- 2. <u>Hosts & Hostesses</u>: This position is a "Meet and Greet" position to welcome visitors to the Mansion. Responsibilities also include handling admissions and gift shop sales, orienting guests to tours, and assisting staff with incoming telephone calls. Like the docent position, any commitment is flexible. *Currently we are only training new hosts on the register (admissions/gift shop sales) in the fall and winter, but we do need hosts to greet and orient visitors on tours year-round, and if you wish to train on the register in the low season, that is totally possible.*
- 3. <u>Bellamy Gardeners:</u> Our beautiful gardens are tended to on Wednesday mornings beginning at approximately 8:30AM. If the weather is unusually hot or cold, they will cancel for that day. You do not need a green thumb to join!
- 4. <u>Rise and Shiners (Cleaning Crew)</u>: It's a dirty job but somebody's got to do it! With over 25,000 visitors a year, this position provides invaluable help in keeping the site as pristine as possible. The Rise & Shiners meet the second Monday of every month at 9am. You bring your elbow grease and we'll provide the rest.
- 5. <u>Special Events Volunteers</u>: Throughout the year, the Bellamy Mansion hosts numerous events. Some are fundraisers, others are children's events, some with a focus on the community and social educational events. 2016 saw over 50 events take place, and none of these could have happened without our volunteers.
- 6. <u>House Host:</u> This position gives an extra level of attention to our self-guided tourists, which make up a large portion of our annual visitors, as well as an extra level of protection for artifact, exhibits, etc... House hosts are stationed on a level of the mansion to give self-guided visitors directions, answer historical questions, or even take a photo for them! This is a great opportunity for those interested in learning and presenting facts about the site's history. This is the first step to becoming an interpreter, but you do not have to have that goal to be a house host. We always need folks stationed in the historic buildings!

Fill out a volunteer registration form and return it to the Bellamy Mansion Museum Carriage House or submit it online at <u>http://www.bellamymansion.org/volunteer-interest-form.html</u> and our Volunteer Trainer will be in touch!



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