

Birthday Party Naturalist

Teatown Lake Reservation, the largest community supported, non-profit environmental education center in Westchester County, New York is seeking a per-diem Birthday Party Naturalist to provide the environmental education component of our children's birthday party programs as a part of the education team. This position requires an enthusiastic, outgoing, and energetic person who will further Teatown's mission to inspire our community to lifelong environmental stewardship. Ideal candidates will have a background in early childhood or environmental education, a foundation in natural science, and weekend availability.

Position Summary: The Birthday Party Naturalist is charged with providing the educational component of Teatown's children's birthday parties. Parties take place on Saturdays and Sundays at 10 am and 2 pm. While parties last two hours, the programmed element typically occurs during the first hour of the party. The Birthday Party Naturalist must become familiar with our catalog of offerings and is responsible for the setup, cleanup, and maintenance of program materials.

Principal Duties and Responsibilities:

- 1. Facilitate hands-on, engaging, culturally relevant natural science and environmental educational experiences from a limited catalog of birthday party offerings for diverse populations.
- 2. Assist with developing and implementing education programs as needed.
- 3. Assist with maintenance and upkeep of collection, equipment, tools, etc.
- 4. Responsible for various other duties as assigned.

Position Requirements/Qualifications:

- 1. Weekend availability.
- 2. Interest in or experience working with children between the ages of four and twelve.
- 3. Working knowledge of the natural sciences and willingness to work on expanding this knowledge.
- 4. Ability to work with people of all backgrounds.
- 5. Strong communication skills.
- 6. Ability to work independently, self-starter.

This is a part-time per-diem position of approximately 1.5 hours of work per party as scheduled. This position will be performed in person and on-site at Teatown Lake Reservation.

Benefits:

Because this is a part-time position, this position will not be eligible for Teatown's benefits package, including paid vacation, medical, dental, vision, and 403(b) retirement benefits.

Pay Rate: \$40/party

To Apply:

• Send cover letter, resume, and two professional references to Emily Edmonds-Langham, Education Director at eedmonds@teatown.org. No calls please.

This position is available immediately, with an anticipated start date of September 2024. Position remains open until filled. Teatown Lake Reservation is an Equal Opportunity Employer. We are committed to a diverse and inclusive environment for all employees.