Exhibition Internship

The Erie Canal Museum is looking for an innovative and motivated individual to assist with the development of its spring exhibition. Unfortunately, as much of the work requires interaction with the Museum’s physical collections, this internship cannot be adapted to be totally virtual. Showcasing the only remaining weighlock building in the United States, the Erie Canal Museum collects and preserves Canal material, and provides engaging educational experiences that champion an appreciation and understanding of the Erie Canal’s transforming effects on the past, present and future.

Please send a volunteer application, cover letter, and resume to Derrick Pratt, Museum Educator & Interim Curator, at derrick@eriecanalmuseum.org

During the internship you will work on the following initiatives:

• Review existing museum collections related to exhibition theme,
• Research and gather content for exhibition,
• Collect oral histories related to the exhibition,
• In collaboration with the Curator, help plan a major exhibition, and
• Design a popular, thought provoking exhibition.

Requirements:

• Student enrolled in Museum Studies program or other related program
• Completed courses in curation, collections care, historical research, or related fields
• Strong written and verbal communication skills
• Available 10-20 hours per week

You will enjoy this internship if you:

• Have an interest in administration, development, or fundraising
• Are flexible and adapt to change
• Are self-directed
• Have a willingness to learn

Availability & Salary:

Available: 10-20 hours per week during Monday – Saturday 9AM – 5PM

Salary: Unpaid; academic credit available