



Friends of the North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences

JOB DESCRIPTION

Position Title:	Birthday Party Play Leader
Reports To:	Birthday Party Coordinator
Location:	NCMNS Downtown Location- 11 W. Jones St. Raleigh, NC
Job Classification:	Part Time
Hiring Range:	\$14.00 Per Hour
Work Schedule:	Birthday Party Staff are required to be available for 2 weekend days per month. Scheduling is based from booked birthday parties and play assistants availability. There is not a guaranteed minimum hour each pay period for this position.

About Friends of the North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences:

Friends of the NC Museum of Natural Sciences (“Friends”) is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to support the NC Museum of Natural Sciences (“Museum”), the most visited Museum in the state. All Friends activities serve the broader goal of helping the Museum illuminate the natural world and inspire its conservation.

As admission to the Museum and its satellite locations is free, the Museum relies on Friends to generate earned revenue (from the Museum Stores, Café, WRAL 3D Movie Theater, special events, and exhibitions), as well as contributed income (through Museum Membership and philanthropic support) to make possible the activities that bring the Museum to life.

Position Summary:

Want to dive into science while playing along? Our birthday party program is searching for Birthday Party Play Leaders to support birthday parties at NCMNS Downtown Location. Play Leaders will lead science themed birthday parties for ages 4-12 and deliver a live animal program with the Museum’s Ambassador Animals. Birthday Party Leaders are also responsible for day of communication with the party host, setting up party activities, and party turnover responsibilities.

Duties/Responsibilities:

- Birthday Party Preparation- Gather and set up birthday party materials prior to party start time. This includes themed activities, picking up Ambassador Animals, and reviewing party outline.

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- In Party Leadership- Play Leader will be leading 60 minutes of party activities while a Play Assistant is assisting with material transition. Play Leaders will lead these fun themed activities, manage the party group while have fun and ensuring safety, and communicating with the Party Play Assistant to run a smooth party. Party Play Leaders are also responsible for delivering scientifically accurate information. Handling animals and ensuring participant and animal safety.
- Party Turnover- Resetting party room for next party or completing end of weekend tasks with help from Party Assistant. This includes cleaning, taking down decorations, and putting tables.
- Having Fun- Don't be afraid of being silly and playing along with participants.

Required Skills and Abilities:

- Ability to deliver information and share accurate scientific information in an engaging manner to ages 4-12 years old.
- Excellent flexibility and problem-solving skills in group settings.
- Excellent verbal communication and direction skills.
- Excellent interpersonal and conflict resolution skills.
- Excellent customer service skills.
- Excellent organizational skills and attention to detail.
- Ability to handle live animals while talking to a group and ensuring animal safety.

Education and Experience:

- High School Diploma or Equivalent
- Must be 18 years old
- A minimum of 1 year working with elementary aged kids and/or working in a science education setting.
- A minimum of 1 year customer service experience
- Some education or experience in environmental science, biology, botany, and/or zoology

Physical Requirements:

- Ability to sit, stand, and walk for extended periods
- Ability to lift and carry up to 20 pounds regularly

The above statements are intended to describe the general nature and level of work being performed by individuals assigned to this job. They are not intended to be an exhaustive list of

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all responsibilities, duties and skills required for the position. All employees may have other duties assigned at any time.

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