

## **Teacher/Naturalist - Lichterman Nature Center**

**Focus: Camp Lichterman and Scout Programs/Community Outreach**

**MoSH - Museum of Science & History - Lichterman Nature Center**

**5992 Quince Road, 38119**

Located in Memphis, TN, the Museum of Science and History is a well-established 501c3 that seeks to create a community of people who share a richer understanding of one another and the world around us. The Museum family consists of the Pink Palace Museum, the Lichterman Nature Center, the Coon Creek Science Center, and other historical properties. We inspire discovery through collecting, preserving, and interpreting the cultural histories and natural sciences that shape our region.

Join our team as we embark on an exciting phase of executing our new vision. Our museum is committed to telling our story by:

- **Advocating for Authenticity** – Illuminate varying perspectives and uphold accurate interpretation, without glossing over tough ideas.
- **Magnifying Belonging** – Building active audiences through outreach, co-creation, and participatory inclusion.
- **Embodying Holistic Stories** – Incorporating context and presenting lesser known stories to portray a complete, systemic picture of the region and its history.
- **Constructing Intersections** – Creating welcoming common spaces that encourage serendipitous and unstructured engagement and foster meaningful interactions between diverse groups of people.

### **Responsibilities**

As a core member of the Lichterman Nature Center Education team, the new teacher/naturalist will be focused on building and promoting Camp Lichterman and scout programs at the Nature Center. This individual will report to Chief Teacher/Naturalist at Lichterman Nature Center.

As Camp Lichterman continues to grow going into its sixth season, the teacher/naturalist will be responsible for promoting camps, creating new and engaging agendas for Camp Lichterman's many camps while building more camp weeks where possible in the summer and school year breaks. Training of Camp Lichterman staff is a responsibility also. Teacher/Naturalist will be responsible for promoting Camp

Lichterman at public community events such as Camp Expo, STEM nights at schools, and other pertinent events.

The need for scout programs which fill certain badge requirements are growing at Lichterman Nature Center especially on Saturdays. Teacher/naturalist will be responsible for building and promoting these programs while interfacing with scout leaders to determine needs of their troop.

Teacher/naturalist will be responsible for promoting scout events in the community such as Scouts at Graceland event and other scout events and dinners where invited.

Other duties include teaching school programs as needed, taking camp and scout reservations, budgeting and buying needed supplies for camps and scouts, safety training of camp/scout staff, and others set forth by the Chief Teacher/Naturalist.

### **Qualifications**

- A bachelor's degree in education, ecology, wildlife and fisheries, biology, environmental sciences or related field is required; advanced degree or certifications desirable.
- At least 2 years of experience in a similar field (camp director, scout leader, naturalist, educator and etc.)
- Exceptional communication and public speaking skills
- Experience and high level of comfort working with children from preK-12th grade
- Experience and high level of comfort in animal handling (opossums, snakes and etc.)
- Experience and high level of comfort in handling animals while teaching preK-12 grade campers/students/scouts
- Ability to meet revenue goals associated with Camp Lichterman and scout programs
- Ability to work successfully in an environment with staff and other department managers
- Proficiency in setting goals and evaluating and communicating success.
- Strong skills with Outlook 365 programs, Microsoft Word and Excel programs
- Exceptional organizational skills
- Flexible and adaptable work schedule with the ability to attend functions, work nights and weekends, and work independently.

## **Compensation**

Compensation is commensurate with experience and abilities. The Museum offers a full range of benefits, including health care, vacation and sick leave, 401k, and death and disability insurance. The Museum also offers life, dental and vision insurance.

To Apply:

Submit resume and cover letter via e-mail to:

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Chief Teacher/Naturalist

Lichterman Nature Center

Museum of Science and History Memphis

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Applications will be accepted July 2, 2021 or until the position is filled. The Museum of Science and History is an Equal Opportunity Employer and values diversity. Academic, credit and criminal background checks will be conducted before a final offer is made. More information about the Museum of Science and History including Lichterman Nature Center can be found on our website at [www.memphismuseums.org](http://www.memphismuseums.org).