

Employment Opportunity - Gallery Host - Full-Time

The Cummer Museum of Art & Gardens seeks a reliable and capable Full-time Gallery Host to create an excellent visitor experience by providing a welcoming environment and outstanding customer service to the Museum visitor through information sharing about all aspects of the Museum. The Gallery Host will assist people of all abilities in a professional, courteous manner that aligns with the Museum's service standards, brand promise, and core values.

Essential Function:

• Support the Museum's mission, vision, and values by exhibiting the following behaviors: excellence and competence, collaboration, innovation, respect of the individual, commitment to our community, accountability, and ownership.

<u>Visitor Experience Duties</u>

- Welcome all visitors in an engaging manner.
- Ensure a welcoming, inclusive, & memorable environment for a diverse range of guests and visitors.
- Advise and direct all visitors to museum amenities, exhibitions, programs, events, and membership.
- Ensure appropriate follow-up on visitor requests.
- Engage in conversation with visitors about the Museum and its collections. Continue to learn about Museum collections and exhibits, including but not limited to attending relevant training.
- Open and close the Museum and galleries using correct opening and closing procedures.
- Protect Museum collection by enforcing Museum rules and policies using "polite safeguarding" techniques. Report damage immediately, as required.
- Plan and lead gallery talks/tours for visitors at the Museum.
- Handle visitor grievances with respect and efficiency.
- Promptly report hazards and suspicious activity to Lead Gallery Host.
- Answer main switchboard with proper etiquette and assists with guest calls accordingly.
- Maintain kiosk of collateral materials available for visitors and tours.
- Maintain clean lobby area especially front desk/register.
- Know fire, safety and emergency policies and procedures and ensure visitor safety in case of emergency.
- Collect accurate visitor information through point-of-sale software systems.
- Prepare daily deposits.
- Record museum attendance.
- Handle basic membership functions including selling new and renewed memberships and entering correct constituent information in Altru.
- Administer visitor data collection as needed.
- Provide check-in at special events and programs.
- Perform other job duties as assigned.

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities:

- High school or equivalent required; some college preferred
- Knowledge in the field of Art History required; some coursework in the field of Art History preferred
- Computer skills in Microsoft Office 365 (Word, Excel and Outlook), or ability to learn new software quickly
- Knowledge of basic office skills including basic math and proper cash handling procedures
- Flexibility and respect for cultural diversity
- Ability to provide superior customer service
- Ability to communicate effectively and with diplomacy when interacting with public, donors, staff, volunteers, and vendors
- Ability to work independently or with others as needed

Working Conditions and Physical Requirements:

- Must be available up to 32 hours per week including the three of the busiest shifts at the Museum; Tuesday evening, Saturday, and Sunday. In addition, a minimum availability of 4 weekend days per month is required
- Must be able to perform duties while standing and walking for at least 3 nonconsecutive hours
- Normal building and office environment with occasional outside work.
- Frequently required to talk or hear.
- Specific vision abilities include close vision, distance vision, and the ability to adjust focus.

Why us?

- Telemedicine coverage.
- 403b retirement plan with match up to 5%.
- Early Access to exhibitions before public access.
- Reciprocal membership and admission access to over 2,000 gardens and institutions through:
 - AHS (American Horticultural Society)
 - o NARM (North American Reciprocal Museum Association)
 - o ROAM (Reciprocal Organization of Associated Museums)
- Discounts in café and Museum store.
- Competitive compensation with opportunity for professional development.
- Did we mention this is a museum and historical gardens? We're surrounded by beauty.

<u>Our Mission</u>: To create art, garden, and learning experiences that spark discovery and well-being.

Remote work: N/A

Hourly Rate: \$15

Resume required.

Qualified applicants send résumé to the Cummer Museum of Art & Gardens, Attn: Human Resources Department, 829 Riverside Avenue, Jacksonville, FL 32204 or jobs@cummermuseum.org