

Volunteer Job Description

Craft Demonstrator

Craft Demonstrators provide demonstrations of a variety of heritage crafts in Irving House and the museum. Demonstrators highlight techniques used to produce traditional handmade crafts. Demonstrations will enhance the visitor's experience by providing an interactive, educational opportunity. Crafts demonstrated will be consistent with the interpretive themes of the New Westminster Museum and Archives and Irving House.

Activities

- Demonstrate a traditional heritage craft.
- Explain craft techniques to visitors and respond to questions.
- Provide basic instruction to individuals and small groups.
- Assist to develop craft information handouts and instruction sheets.

Work Site

New Westminster Museum & Archives featuring Historic Irving House
302 Royal Avenue,
New Westminster, B.C.,
V3L 1H7

Qualifications

- Proficiency and skill in the production of one or more heritage crafts. Crafts could include: quilting, knitting, needlework, spinning, weaving, tating, crochet, or sewing.
- Good oral and written communication skills.
- Enjoys meeting and working with the public.
- Group management and leadership skills.

Benefits

Help bring history to life for visitors to Irving House. Teach heritage craft skills and knowledge to interested individuals and assist to keep cultural traditions alive. Make new friends.

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