



Internship Title: PERFORMING ARTS INTERN

About Associates: Smithsonian Associates advances the Institution's mission "to increase and diffuse

knowledge" through life-enriching educational and cultural experiences inspired by the Smithsonian's research and collections for DC-region students, families, and adults,

and for learning communities nationwide.

Intern Duties: Intern will assist with all aspects of Associates' Performing Arts programming, including:

 Research, booking, budgets, contract negotiation, season planning, logistical setup, and marketing

 Provide direct, hands-on support through the design and production of printed event programs, flyers, patron correspondence, and onsite support of performing arts, film and family programs

 Assist with box office and house management duties during some evening and weekend productions

 Spring interns will also assist with the planning, preparation and/or execution of the Associates' Smithsonian Sleepover program.

Professional Development

Opportunities:

By working closely with the program manager, the intern will gain experience in all aspects of program and event production, including: budgeting, performance reporting, customer service, trouble-shooting/problem-solving, adapting to different situations, multi-tasking, creative thinking, researching, coordination at events, creating and maintaining inventories, editing promotional materials, communication, box office and house management, organization and time management, event management.

Qualifications:

- Experience and/or interest in supporting performing arts presentations, house management, arts management, and/or event planning
- Background or strong interest in music, dance, theater, or event planning required
- Preferred that spring applicants have an interest and/or experience working with children ages 8-12
- Ability to work quickly with attention to detail both independently and as a team
- Proficiency with Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint and the Internet
- Must be able to interact with many different types of people while maintaining a professional demeanor

Seasons: Spring (Jan - May) & Fall (Sept - Dec)

Time Commitment: Hours flexible; 1 full semester

Schedule: Mon - Fri, timing flexible

Supervisors: Liz Paige, Program Coordinator, and Brigitte Blachere, Performing Arts Manager

Compensation: All Associates internships are unpaid and housing is not provided. College credit may

be granted, but must be coordinated in advance with the intern's university/college.

Location: S. Dillon Ripley Center, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C.

To be considered in the first round of applications, please submit your materials by the dates below:

Fall Positions: July 1

Winter/Spring Positions: October 1

Applications received after these dates will still be considered on an as-needed basis.

To Apply: Complete the online application at https://SmithsonianAssociates.org/Internships.

Questions can be directed to the Intern Coordinator at TSAInternships@si.edu or

202.633.8631.