Position Announcement

Mohonk Preserve, New York State’s largest member & visitor supported nature preserve, is seeking environmental educators to fill positions of:

Seasonal Camp Educator

Mohonk Preserve is a dynamic organization with responsibility for managing over 8,000 acres of the northern Shawangunk Mountains in Ulster County, NY. The Preserve has four integrated programs – Education, Conservation Science, Land Stewardship, and Land Protection, and is a regional model for large-scale conservation planning. We have an annual budget of $3.6 million, 35 year-round staff and over 350 volunteers. We have a diverse support base of over 14,000 members. Our Visitor Center is an award-winning green design building surrounded by nature trails and is a great work environment!

We have an exceptional summer day camp program for children ages 4-13. Young Explorers (ages 4-6) is a half day (9AM-12PM) program based out of the Mohonk Preserve Visitor’s Center. Camp Peregrine (ages 7-10) and Mountainside Adventures (ages 10-13) are full day programs (9AM-3PM) that traverse the Preserve exploring the many trails and ecosystems. We are seeking educators who love the outdoors and working with children, and have excellent teaching, organizational and interpersonal skills. This position reports directly to the Education Coordinator for Public and Youth Programs. There are four (4), one week, sessions of Young Explorers. There are three (3), two-week sessions of Camp Peregrine. There are two (2), two week sessions of Mountainside Adventures.

The essential responsibilities include:
- attend and participate in training for summer camp staff;
- with co-leader, develop and lead daily programs for campers;
- with co-leader, supervise and ensure the safety of a group of 12-19 campers;
- communicate with parents about schedule changes to the camp program while camp is in session;
- Serve as a role model of Mohonk Preserve’s stewardship and conservation practices and philosophy of environmental education.

The successful candidate has:
- experience in outdoor and/or environmental education;
- experience working for a summer camp program;
- excellent communication and interpersonal skills to interact with staff, volunteers, children, and the public in general;
- driver’s license and vehicle.
- Must be able to hike at least 5 miles with some elevation gain while carrying program equipment.

Pay Rates:
Young Explorers: $550/week (four, one week sessions)
Camp Peregrine: $598/week (three, two week sessions)
Mountainside Adventures: $676/week (two, two week sessions)

Only hard copy resumes will be accepted, with cover letter and references.
Please submit by April 4, 2014 to:
Summer Camps, Mohonk Preserve, P.O. Box 715, New Paltz, NY 12561

No phone calls or emails please.

Mohonk Preserve is an Equal Opportunity Employer