CHILDREN'S MUSEUM
of Southern Minnesota

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Part-Time Weekend Playworker

At the Children's Museum of Southern Minnesota, we believe our team is part of something extraordinary. Our Museum is community-built and community-sustained, with a mission to ignite the natural curiosity of every child through the power of play in a dynamic, awe-inspiring environment.

Join our team!

Reporting to the Guest Engagement and Play Coordinator, the Playworker position is a part-time, non-exempt position averaging up to 16 hour/week. **This position requires at a minimum every other weekend 8:30am-5pm.** This position is eligible for our SIMPLE IRA matching program and staff discounts. The Museum looks for candidates with Core Values of Ignite Curiosity, Passion for Play, and Thrive in the Unexpected. Candidates for this position should be committed to being innovative and create ways to support these values. Further, as the Museum is a growing, inclusive organization, any candidate should be open to performing a variety of tasks.

Hourly Wage: $14/hour

JOB RESPONSIBILITIES

- Greeting visitors and answering questions
- Preparing the Museum to open to the public in the morning
- Shutting down exhibits and preparing the building for closing
- Providing excellent customer service and representing the Museum with the highest level of professionalism
- Being knowledgeable about Museum exhibits and daily activities
- Engaging Museum visitors in exhibits and activities
- Handle guest accidents in a professional and efficient manner
- Setting up and maintaining exhibits and activities during business hours and at special events
- Ensuring a clean and well-maintained Museum space
- Helping direct volunteers in their Playworker role
- Conducting observations and surveys and recording visitor data as needed
- Facilitating or supporting program delivery as needed
- Responsibility for Museum front desk and café operations, including basic data entry and cash register tasks, such as processing admission, membership, and merchandise sales, when assigned
- Performing physical and mental demands in the work environment required for this position
- Communicating and interacting effectively and respectfully with visitors, co-workers, supervisors, and individuals from other organizations
- Other duties as assigned

QUALIFICATIONS

- Job requires at a minimum every other weekend availability.
- Enthusiasm and support for the Museum.
- Commitment to striving for efficiency and ongoing improvement of all Museum practices.
- Experience working with children and families is preferred.

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- Candidates must be 16 years or older for this position.

WORK CONDITIONS

- Job requires exerting up to 10 pounds of force occasionally and/or negligible amount of force frequently or constantly to lift, carry, push, pull or otherwise move objects.
- Job requires working in a fast-paced environment with some exposure to high levels of auditory and visual stimuli.
- Job requires a high degree of interaction and engagement with children and adults.
- Job requires standing and walking for up to 8 hours in indoor and outdoor museum exhibits.

About the Children's Museum of Southern Minnesota

The Vision for the Children's Museum of Southern Minnesota is to be a catalyst for building a stronger, more vibrant community around play so that all children in our region share in a bright future of opportunity and well-being. Located in Mankato, Minnesota, the Museum welcomes nearly 100,000 visitors and maintains over 1,700 memberships annually, and continues to be a resource for the region, providing the opportunity to experience the joy of learning through the power of play to all children and families.

The Children's Museum of Southern Minnesota is an equal opportunity employer.

Apply Today!

Please submit your resume to Heather Otto, Vice President of Operations at heather.otto@cmsouthernmn.org.