

Historic Sites and Museums, Stephansson House

Job Title: Historical Interpreter (3 positions available)
Location: Markerville, Alberta
Type: Seasonal wage
Competition: March 23, 2018

About Us

Stephansson House Provincial Historic Site is located 7 km north of Markerville, off Secondary Highway 592 west of Hwy 781, approximately 30 minutes west of Red Deer and 20 minutes south of Sylvan Lake. The site depicts the history of Stephansson and his family. Restored to its 1927 appearance, Stephansson's historic home offers a glimpse into the life of this pioneer poet and of Alberta's Icelandic heritage.



Role

Are you interested in working in an historical environment with people of all ages? You could spend this summer sharing and celebrating the lives and experiences of Icelandic poet and Alberta pioneer Stephan G. Stephansson, his family, and the settlement experience of the Markerville Icelanders.

As a member of a dynamic team of interpretive staff, dressed in period costume, you will plan, develop, present, and evaluate educational, special event and public interpretive programs. Other duties will include the collection of admission fees and visitor statistics, administering site surveys, marketing and promotions of the site and events, volunteer recruitment and supervision, day-to-day administration, and maintaining general cleanliness and order of visitor facilities. This position requires weekend work.

A successful candidate for this position will be comfortable speaking to small and large groups of people, and able to read and assimilate large amounts of information quickly. He/ she will have the ability to work with a range of audiences, from young children to seniors, and to work as a member of a team. He/ she must also be able to walk and stand for extended periods and be able to lift and carry moderate loads. This position requires a basic understanding of the history of Alberta, an interest in historical interpretation and literature, as well as planning and organizational skills. Job specific training is provided.

Qualifications

Post-secondary education and or/experience in the following fields is desirable: Historical Interpretation, Education, Canadian History, Language Arts, Marketing and/or Recreation Administration. The successful applicant will have a current **Standard First Aid Certificate** and a **Class 5 driver's license**. **Successful candidate must provide proof of first aid training, a driver's abstract and undergo security screening before hiring.**

Salary

Wage rate: Interpreter \$19.91/hr.

Closest town for rental accommodations is Sylvan Lake. On-site shared accommodations are available but are very limited and somewhat isolated. Personal transportation required. Some conditions apply. This position runs from May 1 to September 3, 2018.

How to Apply

Please submit your resume and a cover letter to Edward.vanVliet@gov.ab.ca **in PDF format only**. Indicate that you are applying for the Historical Interpreter position at Stephansson House.

Closing Statement

We thank all applicants for their interest. All applications will be reviewed to determine which candidates' education and experience best meets the needs of the position. Only individuals selected for interviews will be contacted.