

## **Student Position: Historical Interpreter**

Job Type: Summer Student, 40 hrs/wk Location: Rossland, BC Salary: \$15-16/hour Start Date: Early May End Date: September 5<sup>th</sup>

Closing Date: April 1st, 2020

This position subject to funding approval and candidates must meet Young Canada Works eligibility requirements.

The Rossland Museum & Discovery Centre's mission is to preserve and dynamically present the heritage of Rossland and area. We do this with comprehensive indoor and outdoor displays on the industrial and social history of Rossland with a particular emphasis on the mining and skiing histories of the area. We are located directly on the "Mining in the Kootenays" historic site – on top of the historic Black Bear Mine – with 5 acres of property and 6 exhibition buildings among many other display shelters. Additionally, we have an extensive community archive, a provincial visitor information centre, numerous educational programs in-house and through outreach activities, downtown heritage walking tours, and various special events throughout the summer.

## **Job Description**:

The Historical Interpreter is responsible for the development, delivery, evaluation, and promotion of heritage site interpretation activities, guided tours, public events, school and group tours, outreach activities, and other public programs tailored to various age groups. The student will also assist in the general operation of the museum when necessary, including operating the gift shop and visitor centre, routine maintenance and cleaning, and light grounds keeping required throughout the season. 2020 Summer Projects include:

- Redevelop downtown walking tours
- Develop new audio tour program for downtown and museum tours
- Organize and host a visitor/museum information booth at the weekly Rossland Mountain Market; liaise with Community partners for kids' activities
- Coordinate special tours/programs with Rossland Gold Fever Follies

The following is a list of *essential* qualifications necessary to this position:

- Post-secondary education: History, Geology/Mining, Information Technology, Environmental Sciences, Drama, Education, or related fields.
- Excellent interpersonal and public speaking skills; Customer Service experience
- Excellent computer skills (incl. Microsoft Office/Google Docs, Squarespace, Dropbox)
- Excellent English verbal and written communication skills
- Excellent organizational skills, planning experience, and a passion for education and history

The following *desired* qualifications may be considered an asset for this position:

- Experience in or with the tourism and/or cultural sector
- Knowledge of Rossland or West Kootenay history
- Minor labour and equipment maintenance experience
- Current First Aid certificate

Please submit your resume and cover letter clearly demonstrating how you meet the qualifications and quoting the position(s) you are applying for by email (preferred) to

museumdirector@rosslandmuseum.ca or drop off at 1100 Hwy 3B (junction of Hwy 3B and Hwy 22). Please also attach references.

For more information about this position, please contact Joelle Hodgins, Museum Director, at <a href="museumdirector@rosslandmuseum.ca">museumdirector@rosslandmuseum.ca</a> or call (250) 362-7722.