



Volunteer Opportunities

There are many opportunities for Volunteers at the Abbe Museum. Becoming a Museum volunteer can be a rewarding experience, offering personal enrichment, increased knowledge of the Native Cultures of Maine, and an opportunity to develop new skills and meet new friends with similar interests. At the same time, volunteers strengthen the Museum and play an active role in its success. The benefits of volunteering are many.

Studies show that people who volunteer live longer, healthier and happier lives.

- It provides a way to be useful, help others, and do good deeds.
- The work is enjoyable and makes one feel needed.
- Volunteerism is good for the heart. It increases your self-esteem and competence as well as lessens stress.

As Winston Churchill said, "You make a living by what you get. You make a life by what you give."

For additional information on Volunteering, please call the Museum Office at (207) 288-3519, email: pepper@abbemuseum.org or complete the form below and return it to:

The Abbe Museum Volunteer Program
PO Box 286
Bar Harbor, ME 04609

Title: _____

Last Name: _____ First _____ MI _____

Street/Box# _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone (____) _____ Work Phone (____) _____

Birthday ____/____/____ (year optional)

Email address _____

Please let us know which of the following areas you have an interest in, participate in, or think you would like to participate in. Thank you.

____ Host/Hostess (Welcomes and greets visitors at both Museum locations)

____ Admission/Shop (Customer service and sales at both Museum locations)

____ Bakers (Helps prepare baked goods for special events & functions)

_____Tour Guides (Walks through the museum with visitors, giving an overview of the Maine tribes today, historical background of Robert Abbe, George Dorr, the creation of the Museum in the part and the expansion to downtown Bar Harbor, and information about the current exhibitions.

_____ Mailing (Helps prepare, fold, stuff, label, seal, and stamp Museum mailings)

_____Buildings and Grounds (Work with the Chairman & Committee on the upkeep of the buildings and grounds)

_____ Collections (Work with the Collections Manager in the cleaning and care of collections)

_____Development (Work with the Chairman & Committee to gather outside support for the Museum)

_____Education (Work with the Education Director in developing and implementing educational programs)

_____Hospitality (Work with the Chairman & Committee on organizing and preparing refreshments for programs and special events)

_____Events (Work with the Chairman & Committee on preparation for all special events & programs throughout the year)

_____Volunteer (Work with the staff to recruit and schedule Volunteers for the Museum)

_____Auctions and Fundraisers (Work with the Event Committee to organize)

Please include any seasonal address we should be aware of. It would also be helpful to the Museum for grant purposes, if you could list any education, degrees, and school names. We look forward to having you join the family of Volunteers at the Abbe Museum.