# **Education Intern**

# Birds of Vermont Museum

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We seek self-motivated individuals interested in environmental education, conservation biology, non-profit management, the museum field, natural history, and/or wood carving. We offer experiences such as operating a small museum, teaching practice and lesson planning, visitor services, exhibit planning and construction, bird research, and article writing.

#### Responsibilities

Interns spend approximately 50% of their time assisting museum staff in general museum duties. This includes welcoming and orienting visitors, helping school groups, leading a program for children, running the gift shop, answering bird-related questions, cleaning, and other administrative assistance.

Interns are expected to write one newsletter article and one blog post about their experience or about a museum-related topic of their choice.

The remainder of their time will be spent working on a project relating to their field of interest. Previous projects have included a touchable egg exhibit, creating and leading onsite guided investigations, and a migration-focused traveling exhibit.

Interns should be able to commit 8-20 hours per week for 6-10 weeks.

### Qualifications

Interns possess an interest in environmental education, museum education, nontraditional classrooms, ornithology, conservation biology, the museum field, non-profit management, natural history, and/or wood carving.

#### Resources available

Staff is available to assist in all aspects of the project. We have a resource library, a workshop, and 100 acres of mixed forest with trails and aquatic habitat.

## To apply

Send your resume, letter of interest, and contact info for 3 references to: Erin Talmage, Executive Director Birds of Vermont Museum, 900 Sherman Hollow Road, Huntington, VT 05462 erin@birdsofvermont.org, 802-434-2167

#### About the Museum

The Birds of Vermont Museum is a private non-profit that teaches about birds through lifelike woodcarvings and outdoor experiences. We feature over 500 birds representing over 250 species. The carving exhibits include Vermont's nesting species in natural habitats as well as North America's endangered and extinct species. The Museum is surrounded by a 100-acre mostly forested bird sanctuary/nature preserve, with a bird feeding area, pond, bird blind and treehouse.