



# COLUMBIA RIVER MARITIME MUSEUM

## Lightship *Columbia* Docent

### Position Description

**Job Title:** Lightship *Columbia* Docent

**Reports to:** Education Supervisor and Volunteer Coordinator

#### Position Duties and Responsibilities:

- Welcome guests to the Lightship and share facts and stories about the ship.
- Ensure that visitors have museum boarding passes and treat the Lightship as an artifact.
- Encourage hands-on, inquiry-based learning for visitors of all ages, including lifelong learners visiting the Lightship as part of a tour.
- Direct visitors to various parts of the ship, encouraging exploration while using all safety precautions.
- Inform visitors of safety precautions and act as the primary person to report injuries and accidents on the ship to the Museum staff.
- Docents are expected to have a working knowledge of the Lightship and be able to share the information with the public.

#### Characteristics and Experiences:

- This is a public-facing job working with visitors. Docents must be comfortable and eager to speak with visitors from a variety of backgrounds every day.
- Must be friendly, engaging, and comfortable working independently with frequent questions.
- Ability and willingness to learn the Lightship materials put forth during training.
- Enthusiasm and willingness to learn new material and self-educate

#### Additional Qualifications:

- Must be 18 years of age or older
- Must successfully pass a criminal background check
- Must be willing to become a member of the Columbia River Maritime Museum
- Docents must be capable of handling emergencies in a responsible manner
- Ability to work independently
- Ability to work outside in various climates with little shelter