Illinois State Museum – Play Museum

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How should students contact this agency? Email
How should students submit cover letters and resumes? Email attachments, also please submit a volunteer application which can be found online at bit.ly/ismvolapp.

General description of this agency
The Illinois State Museum promotes discovery, learning, and an appreciation of Illinois' natural, cultural, and artistic heritage.

Internship Description
Become a Play Museum Facilitator in the hands-on learning gallery for children ages 3-10 at the Illinois State Museum! This a great opportunity for anyone interested in welcoming children into an interactive environment, or anyone pursuing children's education, museum studies, or those interested in psychology, anthropology, or other art and history-related subjects. Helping in the Play Museum is a great way to combine your own interests and with a children's interactive learning center.

The Museum is in need of friendly volunteers to greet visitors and school groups to the gallery space, and assist with questions or activities. Students are also welcome to participate in the monthly “Super Saturday” program (the first Saturday of every month, with activities running between 11 am and 3 pm) and other public programming within the Museum.

Communicative (able to positively communicate with people, both visitors and Museum staff); enthusiastic; an interest in history, science, art, and/or children's learning; creative; willing/able to discuss any potential program ideas, report any problems/concerns regarding the Play Museum, etc.

Hours per week: 10, flexible, weekday and weekend hours available
Number of weeks: 8 – 16 weeks, flexible
Position available: Any time
Illinois State Museum – Museum Greeter

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Become a Museum greeter and help provide positive museum memories for the public. This a great opportunity for anyone interested in visitor or customer services, museum studies, or those interested in communication, anthropology, or other art and history-related subjects.

The Illinois State Museum is looking for friendly, out-going individuals to welcome visitors to the Museum. Greeters staff the Museum's information desk to answer questions and offer orientation to visitors. Greeters may also help with small administrative tasks as needed. Knowledge of the Springfield area, including local restaurants and attractions is helpful but not required.

Communicative (able to positively communicate with people, both visitors and Museum staff); enthusiastic; an interest in history, science, art, and/or anthropology; creative; willing/able to report any problems/concerns regarding staff or the Museum exhibits/procedures.

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