

Theodore Roosevelt Sanctuary & Audubon Center

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Part-time Teacher Naturalist Position Description

The Organization

The Theodore Roosevelt Sanctuary & Audubon Center, in Oyster Bay, provides high-quality effective environmental education programs to school, scout, camp, adult and family audiences. Using hands-on, experiential, and inquiry based methods, program participants will develop a deeper understanding and consideration for our natural world, gain a sense of stewardship for their local environment, and become informed decision-makers for the future.

Purpose of the Position

Teach a variety of school, public, and vacation programs to children, families, and adults.

Essential Functions

- Teach hands-on, natural science education programs in both classroom and outdoor settings at the Sanctuary and offsite locations.
- Teach environmentally themed programs for school, camp, public, family, and adult groups.
- Teach programs independently and as part of a team.
- Handle, transport and teach about live raptors, reptiles and mammals to audiences of all ages.
- Develop and implement natural science education activities for children ages 4-12 during the winter and spring vacation nature programs.
- Drive to off-site locations throughout Long Island and NYC, transporting education animals while being prepared to teach.
- Assist with the care of resident wildlife.
- Assist with other duties as necessary.
- Articulate the Audubon mission and the Theodore Roosevelt Sanctuary and Audubon Center's mission to the community.

Qualifications

- Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university in environmental studies, education, natural science, outdoor recreation, or related field preferred; or currently pursuing degree.
- Must have demonstrated experience working with groups of children, adults, and families.
- Experience working with live raptors, mammals, and reptiles preferred, or willingness to learn.
- Natural history knowledge preferred.
- Excellent organizational skills, written and verbal communication skills required.
- Must have flexible schedule with the ability to work evenings and weekends, as required.
- Possess a valid New York State driver's license.

Commitment

The Sanctuary requires a time commitment of approximately 27 hours per week, including weekend days and /or evenings.