



Full-time or Part-Time Exhibits and Facilities Technician

Job Description:

The ideal candidate for the Part-Time Exhibits and Facilities Technician role at the Science Mill is a skilled technician and a steward of our mission to ignite and foster a deep interest in science. They are an individual who understands the transformative power of interactive and educational exhibits in stimulating curiosity and learning in visitors of all ages.

This candidate should possess a robust technical background in mechanics, electronics, and general maintenance, complemented by an appreciation for the aesthetic and educational aspects of exhibit design. They play a pivotal role in maintaining the functionality and appeal of our exhibits, ensuring they consistently align with our mission of making science accessible and engaging.

Responsibilities:

- **Maintenance and Repair of Exhibits:** Responsible for the routine maintenance, repair, and occasional modification of exhibits. This includes mechanical, electrical, and aesthetic aspects.
- **Facility Maintenance:** Assists in the general maintenance and repair of the facility, including basic carpentry, painting, and plumbing tasks.
- **Installation and Dismantling of Exhibits:** Plays a key role in the installation and dismantling of exhibits, ensuring proper handling and storage of exhibit components.
- **Collaboration with Teams:** Works closely with other departments such as curatorial, education, and visitor services to enhance the visitor experience.
- **Technical Support:** Provides technical support for special events, programs, and interactive exhibits, which may involve audio-visual equipment and lighting.
- **Inventory Management:** Manages inventory of tools, supplies, and spare parts necessary for exhibit and facility maintenance.
- **Record Keeping:** Maintains accurate records of repairs, maintenance schedules, and safety inspections.

In essence, this role is for someone who not only maintains our exhibits and facilities but also embodies and champions the Science Mill's mission of nurturing a lifelong passion for learning and discovery in science.

Requirements:

- High school diploma or equivalent; technical or vocational training in a relevant field is a plus.
- Demonstrated experience in 3-D printing, electrical wiring, and control systems.
- Proficiency in reading and interpreting technical diagrams, schematics, and plans.
- Strong problem-solving skills with the ability to troubleshoot technical issues effectively.
- Excellent attention to detail and craftsmanship in exhibit fabrication.
- Familiarity with tools and equipment commonly used in fabrication and electronics work.
- Strong communication skills and the ability to work collaboratively within a team.
- Prior experience in a museum, science center, or similar environment is advantageous.
- Flexibility to work a part-time schedule, including weekends and evenings, as needed.

If you are a hands-on individual with a passion for creating engaging and interactive exhibits, we encourage you to apply. Join our team and contribute to inspiring curiosity and learning through innovative displays and experiences.

ABOUT THE SCIENCE MILL:

The Science Mill, located in Johnson City, TX, is a nonprofit science center.

We believe bold, innovative programs that represent a committed, sustained, multi-level approach to engaging our most marginalized students and supporting educators in the field is the key to building a strong STEM pipeline.

With interactive exhibits and programs, the Science Mill helps students expand their understanding of science, sparks curiosity, and inspires them to pursue careers in STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) fields. Operating in a very dynamic environment, flexibility and teamwork are required. The team works collaboratively to ensure organizational success.

The Science Mill is an equal opportunity employer and all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability status, protected veteran status, or any other characteristic protected by law.

Please send a cover letter, desired compensation, and resume to: Peter.Claffey@ScienceMill.org