



## Looking for a summer job?

## Interested in East Hants and its history?

East Hants Historical Society hires young adults to work as **Museum Interpreters in the Lower Selma Museum & Heritage Cemetery, located at 6971 Highway 215 in Lower Selma, from June 1 to August 31. If you are age 16-30, you may qualify for this position. (Note: Depending on funding source, you may or may not be required to be registered for post-secondary program in September.)**

**What does the job consist of?** The primary role is to greet visitors who come to the museum, give them tours of the exhibits, answer their questions, tell them stories about the exhibits, give them a friendly welcome. Some visitors have research questions in family and local history, which requires guides to have some knowledge of what our research resources have to offer. You will also have clerical duties to complete, as well as daily cleaning and maintenance within the museum, plus watering flower beds outside. You may be assigned a research task as part of your clerical duties.

**What skills do I need for the Museum Interpreter job?** First and foremost—enthusiasm. You should have good communication skills and feel confident in meeting the public. You should also be a good team player, able to work well with others, but also be able to work independently. You should be able to manage your time well in order to get assigned tasks completed. You will need some competence with word-processing and spreadsheet software; additional tech skills would be a bonus. Some knowledge of East Hants history would definitely be an asset, as would some skill in French language.

**What if my knowledge of East Hants history isn't strong enough?** We will see that you receive detailed background on our exhibits—extensive mentoring during the first couple of weeks of the season—and opportunities to explore the research collection and learn which documents are most useful. Internet service is available for research purposes too, and view our Virtual Library collection on this website.

**What is the work week like and with whom will I be working?** The museum is open every day during the season. We expect to hire two persons for this position, depending on funding. Your shifts will overlap, but each of you will work alone on the other's days off. You are expected to work some weekends, depending on the shift schedule. You will also be expected to work with EHHS board directors on occasion.

**What is the salary?** First-year wage is minimum wage; hourly rate increases for second+ year employees.

**How do I apply?** Send a cover letter and résumé Att: Museum Chair, [info@ehhs.ca](mailto:info@ehhs.ca). If you have questions before applying, please send them to the same address. See current website Home Page or job advertisement for application deadline.

**If you are accepted for this position, you will bring valuable skills and aptitudes to the job. At the end of the season, you will leave with more knowledge of our history, the skills needed to handle archival material, perhaps more tech skills, and an appreciation for the importance of our history and the care needed to preserve it.**