



MOHONK PRESERVE

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Position Announcement

The Mohonk Preserve, New York State's largest member & visitor supported nature preserve, is seeking qualified people who love the outdoors to fill multiple positions as:

Seasonal Ranger

Mohonk Preserve, located in Ulster County, NY is a non-profit organization whose mission is to protect the Shawangunk Mountains region and inspire people to care for, enjoy, and explore their natural world. The Preserve manages 8,000 acres of the northern Shawangunk Mountains in Ulster County, NY through four integrated programs – Conservation Science, Education, Land Stewardship, and Land Protection, and is a regional model for large-scale conservation planning. We have an annual budget of \$4 million, 36 year-round staff, over 350 volunteers, and a diverse support base of over 16,000 members.

We have a strong and dedicated Land Stewardship department and Ranger staff. Rangers report to the Chief Ranger. The Seasonal Ranger will patrol lands of the Mohonk Preserve, ensure public safety, resource protection, and quality of visitor's experiences. The position is seasonal from April through November.

Basic Duties:

- Patrol Preserve lands as directed by supervising rangers.
- Participate in emergency incidents such as search and rescue, vertical rescue, and first aid as directed.
- Make sales transactions including collecting fees from day users and members; provide them assistance during their visits.
- Participate in land stewardship projects: trail maintenance, invasive species removal, prescribed burns, boundary patrol, sign maintenance
- Perform construction or mechanical work, and perform maintenance of Preserve lands and facilities as directed.

Requirements include:

- Experienced rock climber;
- Current First Aid and CPR certifications; Search And Rescue experience; Wilderness First Aid/CPR
- Must be able to travel long distances on foot and capable of carrying a minimum of 40 pounds;
- Knowledge of cultural, natural history, and geography of the Shawangunk Mountains and the Preserve.
- Interpersonal skills, including the ability for conflict intervention; sensitivity to needs of public; and courtesy to the public.
- Ability to communicate both up and down the chain of command and outside of the Preserve both verbally & in writing.
- Familiarity with all Preserve policies and procedures.
- Clean driving record and ability to pass Mohonk Preserve background check;
- Willingness to work irregular hours including weekends and holidays.

Some background in the following preferred:

Education or experience in recreation management, public safety, resource protection, environmental education, construction, mechanical skills, farming, forestry practices, computer skills (including GIS, Microsoft Word and Outlook or similar email application as well as Internet).

Positions available immediately.

Please submit cover letter & resume before Oct. 6 to:

Chief Ranger, Mohonk Preserve, PO Box 715, New Paltz, NY 12561