Museum Apprentice Program
A volunteer program for High School students

What is the Museum Apprentice Program (MAP)?
MAP is a year-round volunteer program specifically designed for high school students. During this program, students work on projects related to aerospace, the museum field, museum education, oral histories, living history, and documentaries. They will go on offsite adventures, interact with guests of all ages, and create or facilitate hands-on activities. Students will learn public speaking and customer service skills, as well as informal education techniques and workforce preparedness.

What happens after training?
At the culmination of training, Apprentices choose one of four pathways to continue their volunteer commitment (min. 30 hours) to the museum. Museum Apprentices meet every Thursday night, year-round, at the Museum, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. to work on their projects. They must be able to attend in order to join the program. Absences may be excused as needed. After completing 30 hours of service (which includes training time), Apprentices may stay in the program through the summer after High School graduation.

There are four pathways you can follow through your apprenticeship:

- **Discovery Carts Pathway:**
  - Students in this pathway design and create "Discovery Carts" for the museum. Discovery Carts are portable, interactive exhibits of touchable objects organized around an aerospace theme. Carts are outfitted to each cart’s distinct specifications. After completing their cart, Apprentices use them to lead informal discussions, structured presentations, and hands-on activities with museum visitors of all ages.

- **Live Theater/Living History Pathway:**
  - With this pathway, Apprentices will learn how to bring history to life using pre-scripted pieces, historical re-enactments, and stage management and improvisational skills. While a certain level of skill is important, it is not required, as instruction in the dramatic arts, as well as in living history practices are provided. Performances are scheduled for the museum’s peak times, mainly Thursday evenings and weekend days.

- **Docent Pathway:**
  - With the aid of a Docent mentor, students will create a series of tours about an exhibit of their choosing. The mentor will guides students through the process of research, exhibit selection, tour development, and public speaking.

- **Exhibits Pathway:**
  - Apprentices learn exhibit techniques, best practices in museums, and collections management. Student create an exhibit of their choosing related to the aerospace industry and/or the Museum of Flight’s personal history.
Why should you join?
• Gain on-the-job work skills and experience.
• Receive personal references for future jobs and/or schooling.
• Fulfill high school community service credits (if recognized by your school)
• Serve your community and promote The Museum of Flight’s mission.
• Meet and work with students from other schools.
• Have fun!

Qualifications

• Training is provided. Previous knowledge of aerospace, experience working with children, a high G.P.A., or a background in theater is not required.
• Must be a currently enrolled high school student
• Must be able to attend two mandatory training sessions
• Must be able to attend most weekly meetings Thursdays from 7 to 9 p.m.
• Ability to follow directions and be a team player
• Ability to work independently
• Positive, enthusiastic attitude, and strong work ethic
• Eagerness to learn, help others learn, and willing to contribute creative ideas
• Apprentices must be committed to completing their projects, education, and museums

Note: Absences are permitted with prior notice.
Apprentices that do not have prior approval for extended absences may be dropped from the program.

Interested?
Please complete the enclosed application, attach your résumé and return via:

• Email: JBowman@museumofflight.org
• Fax: 206.764.5707
• Mail: Julie Bowman, Interpretive Programs Coordinator
  The Museum of Flight, 9404 East Marginal Way South, Seattle, Washington 98108
Museum Apprentice Program Application
Please print clearly and fill in ALL information.

First Name: ___________________________________________ Last Name: ________________________________________________

Address: ________________________________________________

City: ___________________________________ State: ___________________ Zip: ________

Primary Phone: __________________________ Secondary Phone: __________________________

Student’s Email: _________________________________________

School Name: _____________________________________________

Birthday: _______ / _______ / _______ Current Grade: ________________

Parent/Guardian Information

Name: ___________________________________________ Relationship to student: __________________________

Primary Phone: __________________________ Secondary Phone: __________________________

Guardian’s Email: _____________________________________________

Additional Information

How did you hear about the Museum Apprentice program?
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Why do you want to join MAP?
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What do you hope to gain from the program? What do you hope to learn?

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What other extra-curricular activities are you involved in during the year and when do they start?

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What are your favorite subjects to learn about? (Doesn’t have to be in school.)

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What interests you most? (Circle one)
Aviation  Space Travel  Chemistry  Engineering  Astronomy  History

Once the application is complete, please attach your résumé and submit both documents via:

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Questions?

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