

# Charleston County Park and Recreation Commission

## Part Time Classification Description

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Classification Title: Cultural History Interpretive Aide  
Division: REC

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### **General Statement of Job**

The Cultural History Interpretive Aide will develop and provide cultural history programs, educate staff and patrons about the cultural history of the park system, perform research to more deeply understand connections among county park resources, and other duties as assigned.

### **Specific Duties and Responsibilities**

Develop and deliver cultural history programs to include daily walking tours, public history programs, custom tours for groups, and social studies standards-based educational programs at McLeod Plantation Historic Site and other Charleston County Park locations. Most programs take place in an outdoor setting and the ideal applicant will be comfortable in a variety of environments and weather conditions. The individual in this position will be expected to converse effectively and efficiently with a wide variety of people. Perform research to produce reliable and insightful content for interpretive programs and products.

### **Required Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities**

- A general knowledge of the history and cultural resources of the Charleston County area and South Carolina including African American history and Gullah/Geechee culture.
- A general knowledge of research techniques and ability to work with museums, archives and others to access primary sources of accurate information
- Ability to verbally communicate well with others
- Ability to read and interpret body language of others
- Ability to actively listen
- Ability to effectively engage in culturally and racially sensitive communication
- Ability to consider and present a variety of human perspectives
- Ability to develop and deliver thematic cultural history interpretation
- Ability to implement appropriate group management techniques in indoor and outdoor settings.
- Ability to follow instructions in an organized manner and complete assigned tasks to the satisfaction of the direct supervisor
- Ability to present clear, concise, and comprehensive written and oral reports
- Ability to manage time effectively, establish and reflect good work habits, and the ability to work independently as well as with a team
- Ability to accomplish tasks that require physical labor
- Ability to present oneself as a professional in the field of interpretation and conform to the CCPRC uniform requirements
- General computer skills
- Ability to obtain and maintain certification in First Aid, CPR, and Bloodborne pathogen procedures
- Perform other related duties as required.

## **Minimum Training and Experience**

Completed college course work is preferred in interpretation, history, education, or closely related field. One year of experience in at least one of the following areas is required: cultural history interpretation, public history, education or closely related field.

## **Working Conditions and Physical Abilities**

While performing the duties of this job, the employee is frequently required to stand and move about; use hand and fingers to handle and feel; reach and pull with torso, hands and arms; talk and listen. The employee frequently is required to walk and stoop, kneel, crouch, or crawl. The employee is required to sit, climb or balance, and taste and smell. The employee must frequently lift and/or move up to 50lbs. Specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision, depth perception, and ability to adjust focus.

While performing the duties of this job, the employee is occasionally exposed to risk of electrical shock. The employee is regularly exposed to extreme heat, humidity, rain cold, wind, and sunlight. The employee is regularly exposed to poisonous or venomous flora and fauna. The noise level in the work environment is variable.