Footbridge Mural Project Volunteer Description

About Volunteering:
NUMU is seeking energetic, creative high-school volunteers with an interest in art, history, museums, education, or just community engagement. Volunteers will be able to support and mentor aspiring artists to create a mural for the Los Gatos Footbridge. Volunteers will learn skills like leadership, teamwork, and communication. However, the learning doesn’t stop there! Volunteering in high school can also expose students to a variety of technical skills like report writing, marketing, or data entry.

About the Camp:
The Aspiring Artists: Footbridge Mural Project camp is a joint venture between New Museum Los Gatos (NUMU) and the Los Gatos-Saratoga Recreation Department (LGS Rec), where children ages 8-12 learn about the Town of Los Gatos by exploring NUMU’s history exhibition and permanent collection, as well as walking around town and meeting local leaders. The children also learn basic art techniques and explore NUMU’s art exhibitions. At the end of the week, the campers produce a painting inspired by life in Los Gatos that will be enlarged and installed on the Forbes Mill Footbridge by the Town of Los Gatos.

Volunteer Hours: Monday-Thursday 8:45am - 12:15pm, Friday 8:00am - 1:00pm
  ○ Camp Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00am - 12:00pm
  ○ One 30 minute snack break each day
  ○ NUMU is a nonprofit art and history museum, and volunteer hours count for school service hours.

Requirements:
● Must be 16+ years of age
● Able to walk/stand for duration of camp hours
● Able to lift 30 pounds
● Primary Location: New Museum Los Gatos, 106 E Main Street
  ○ Camp is indoors and outdoors, volunteers should be prepared with sunscreen, water, comfortable shoes and clothing, hats, etc.
● Commitment: volunteers are expected to volunteer for at least one of the three weeks
● Must be a current high school student
● Must have written consent from parent or legal guardian, and provide all signed consent forms

Duties:
● Assist NUMU staff with morning check in and check out processes
● Assist NUMU staff with set-up and clean-up
• Assist NUMU staff with camp activities, including: keeping campers focused on staff when giving instructions, keeping campers on task by asking questions and providing feedback, partaking in icebreaker activities and occasional camp games
• Assist NUMU staff with safety, including: walking in line with campers throughout town, supervising snack time, and chaperoning bathroom breaks
• Assist NUMU staff with painting station set up and clean up on Fridays

About NUMU:
New Museum Los Gatos (NUMU) is an art and history museum that presents year-round exhibitions and programs. NUMU has a long 50+ year history in Los Gatos. It’s well-loved in the community, and since moving to its current location in the Los Gatos Civic Center Plaza and rebranding as NUMU, the museum is actively working to expand patronage and community engagement throughout the wider Bay Area.

New Museum Los Gatos is committed to providing services and making resources available to every resident of Santa Clara County without regard to ethnicity, color, creed, religion, age, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, military status, marital status, political opinion, national origin, familial status, mental and physical disability, or source of income. People of color are strongly encouraged to apply.