Contract Service: Scientific Illustrator
Project Timeline: Approximately April 2020, to July 2020, TBD
Deadline to apply: April 8th 2020
Submit a cover letter, resume with a link to portfolio/website, 2 illustration samples, and project-based quote
Apply here: https://forms.gle/Z7A97t5tBT1CZ6jB7

The Billion Oyster Project was awarded a grant to create a Species ID Guide for the New York Harbor Estuary. This guide will be used by students, community scientists, partnering organizations and teachers in and out of the classroom. The Billion Oyster Project is seeking a **Scientific Illustrator for a short-term contract**. This contract will be approximately April - July 2020, TBD.

The Scientific Illustrator will illustrate organisms found in the New York Harbor Estuary to create an engaging, visual format for learning. Working from a list of species provided by the Billion Oyster Project, each illustration should be thoroughly researched and will include distinguishing features. Illustrations should make it easy to identify an organism. There will be 65-70 organisms with 1-2 illustrations each and in very few cases 3 and 1-4 full habitat illustrations. The Scientific Illustrator will ensure the scientific accuracy of their illustrations. Illustrations can be done by hand or digitally, and must be submitted in PNG, TIFF and JPEG. This contract is grant funded, therefore the Scientific Illustrator will **abide by strict deadlines** and deliverables by completing all tasks during the set time period. This work can be completed remotely with regular check-ins with the project lead. In addition to research and illustrations, we anticipate approximately 5 hours of time to be built into the project quote for check-in calls and feedback.

Qualifications and Experience:
- Minimum of 3 years experience in illustration and design-related work experience
- Bachelor's or Master's degree in Visual Arts, Illustration, Graphic Design or related degree program or comparable work experience
- Proficiency in the Adobe Suite (Photoshop, Illustrator, etc)
- Detail oriented, quality driven, thorough, accurate
- Proactive; able to work independently, remotely, stay ahead of schedule, and know when to escalate a problem
- Strong science background preferred
- **NYS or NYC M/WBE Certification preferred**

Examples of Illustrations we are seeking in order:
1. **Guide to Pacific Coast Tide Pools**
5. Curious Kids Nature Guide: Explore the Amazing Outdoors of the Pacific Northwest
6. Horseshoe crab's Crown
7. Sea Side Objects Collection
8. Edible Crustaceans as Educational, Scientific Illustration

Please email educate@nyharbor.org if you have any questions.

Compensation
The Scientific Illustrator will be contracted by the Billion Oyster Project, a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization. The Scientific Illustrator opportunity is a short-term contract from April to July 2020, TBD. Compensation will be agreed upon before the start of the contract based on the submitted project based quote.

Ownership of Intellectual Property
The Billion Oyster Project will be the sole owner of the Species ID guide, including and without limitation of all property rights, intellectual and otherwise, of the contracted scientific illustration. The Billion Oyster Project gives express permission for the Contractor to use the Species ID guide Scientific Illustration as portfolio pieces and work samples for future projects. The Contractor will be credited for their work.