

WING LUKE MUSEUM

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

Wing Luke Museum (WLM) Mission: We connect everyone to the dynamic history, cultures, and art of Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians, and Pacific Islanders through vivid storytelling and inspiring experiences to advance racial and social equity.

WLM Vision: At the WLM, we believe in Arts + Culture as Apothecary (ACA), defined as a culturally rooted art and creative expression contributing to comprehensive wellness, from individual to community. We also trust that an employee's well-being, intersectionality, interculturality, and "enoughness" are central to their success in their work and their lives.

Position Title	Civic Engagement Intern
Reports to	Civic Engagement Specialist
Rate of Pay	\$25.00 per hour
Schedule	Non-exempt, Temporary Position. Days/Hours are flexible. Monday – Friday 9am – 5pm.
Location	On-site and in the Chinatown-International District and Pioneer Square Neighborhoods
Benefits	Not Eligible
Apply by	Contract Period ends March 30, 2024

Position Summary

Research museum collections for oral histories and photographs with a focus on the Chinese and Chinese American Experience in Seattle spanning the mid-1880s to present day. Craft stories from the above research to contribute to the companion digital exhibit regarding Chinese Exclusion in Seattle.

Key Responsibilities

- Research Wing Luke Museum collections, and possibly other sources, for Chinese American oral histories connected to the Waterfront, the original Chinatown, the second Chinatown, and the current Chinatown-International District.
- Write stories based on the above research to be presented in a digital exhibit as a companion to the Chinese American Legacy Artwork Project sculpture [Exclusion Expulsion Expunge](#).
- Research Wing Luke Museum collections, and possibly other sources, for photos related to the above research. Taking photos of storytellers and/or locations as needed, including making appointments with storytellers and getting permission to take photos.

Qualifications

- Experience with and commitment to Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander community activities and/or with community-based nonprofit organizations preferred
- Experience with art, history, design, museology, or other related field preferred
- Self-motivated and able to work accurately and independently
- Able to work as a contributing team member
- Effective communication skills, including excellent research and writing experience
- Experience in upholding Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility best practices

- Strong proficiency with a range of computer software and other online, cloud-based project management and collaboration tools, desirable
- Demonstrated curiosity with a passion for learning and growing professionally

To Apply (no phone calls, please)

Please email a letter of interest, resume, two writing and/or photography samples, and three references to: wren.wheeler@wingluke.org. The position is open until filled.

Museum Overview

As a National Park Service Affiliated Area and the first Smithsonian affiliate in the Pacific Northwest, the WLM offers an authentic and unique perspective on the American story. Nationally recognized for our work in creating dynamic, community-driven exhibitions, and programs, we put our community at the heart of each exhibition we create. The stories you see and hear within our walls are their authentic experiences and perspectives. From the struggles of early Asian pioneers to accomplished works by national Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander (AANHPI) artists, their contributions give us a look at what it means to be uniquely American. Our 60,000 square foot facilities offer three floors to tell our communities' stories, with contemporary galleries showcasing both temporary and permanent exhibitions as well as preserved historic spaces accessible only through our daily guided tours. Beyond our walls, we tell the story of our neighborhood, Seattle's Chinatown-International District, and activate and steward multiple sites throughout the area. While economically challenged, it is a historically and culturally vibrant area, and we see ourselves as a neighborhood concierge and an economic anchor for the nearby small businesses. From restaurants to statues that you might not otherwise notice, there are layers of history and significance that are waiting to be uncovered. WLM offers guided neighborhood tours and events that will encourage you to discover stories and tastes both on and off the beaten path. For more information, please visit www.wingluke.org.

The Wing Luke Museum is a 501c3 organization. We are committed to diversity, equity, inclusion, accessibility, racial and social justice. BIPOC candidates are encouraged to apply.