JOB DESCRIPTION

Position:  PARK INTERPRETER

Reports to:  Park Interpretive Services Manager

General Responsibilities (but not limited to):

• research, develop and present hands-on, educational, programs to park visitors, and community and school groups which will include public guided walks, evening amphitheatre presentations, Jerry’s Rangers programs and programs for school groups.
• daily operation of the Nature House (a facility with interactive displays, gift shop, refreshment area and book store)

Specific Responsibilities (but not limited to):

• To develop and deliver entertaining and educational programs for park visitors and schools using delivery methods such as storytelling, hands-on workshops, theatre, guided outdoor walks, games, etc.
• Programs will be presented in Provincial Parks operated by RLC Park Services and for the most part will include school programs in June and public programs throughout July and August
• Maintaining, updating and creating displays in the Nature House
• Cleaning and tidying Nature House displays, giftshop/bookstore & washrooms
• Operating point of Sale/cash register in giftshop/bookstore
• Making coffee and servicing refreshment area in Nature House
• Available Evenings & Weekends and most holidays
• Participating in multi-day programs in locations that may require overnighting
• Answering questions and providing information to Park Visitors
• Being a resource for Natural History information for other RLC Park Services staff.
• Organizing and running special events and fundraisers in the Park
• Fundraising

Qualifications & Assets:

• Experience working with youth and public audiences;
• Public Speaking experience
• Research and planning skills
• Availability and flexibility to work in an indoor & outdoor environment, evenings and weekends;
• Experience with Point of Sale systems or previous cash handling;
• Merchandising Experience
• Photoshop/art/design skills
• Successfully completed at least one year of post-secondary education in natural sciences, education, communications, or performing arts;
• Excellent written and verbal communication skills;
• Demonstrated knowledge of:
  - Vancouver Island flora and fauna
  - Local cultural history
  - Vancouver Island Marine Systems
• Related experience including, providing environmental education, public speaking, and working in an outdoor environment
• Energy and enthusiasm;
• Acting or Performance Skills