



School Program Leaders

MOV school programming is led by energetic and outgoing volunteers with an interest in enhancing the learning experience for school children. Program Leaders follow established program guidelines designed to support the BC elementary school Social Studies curriculum. Programs are from 1 ¼ - 1 ¾ hours in length and have been researched and developed by MOV staff. If you are interested in engaging school children in learning activities in a museum environment, this is for you.

YOU ARE:

- Enthusiastic about working with school aged children in a learning environment
- Comfortable speaking in front of groups of children, teachers and supervising parents. Groups range from 10-30 people in number.
- Interested in learning about all things related to the elementary level Social Studies curriculum.
- Able to study the program notes and understand the teaching goals identified for each program
- Willing to make a long term commitment and able to commit to 4 hours a week during the school year.
- Friendly and outgoing
- Able to take direction from a supervisor and work effectively without direct supervision
- Willing to authorize a Criminal Record Check prior to starting your volunteer placement

YOU WILL BE:

- Learning the content and delivery method of the established school programs by shadowing experienced volunteers and staff
- Studying the Program Notes for each program as assigned
- Gradually leading portions of a program until you are comfortable/ready to lead it
- Leading programs in lengths ranging from 1 ¼ hour to 1 ¾ hours which have been developed to support the BC Social Studies curriculum
- Working as a team with another volunteer
- Taking direction for Education Program Staff

WHAT WE EXPECT FROM YOU

- You will show up when you are scheduled
- You will arrive on time (1/2 before the program is scheduled to start)
- You will be available and volunteer for most (80%) of the school year
- You will commit to 4 hours of volunteering per week
- You will be available Tuesdays through Friday between 9:30am and 2:00pm
- You will ensure your Supervisor has your correct contact information and will respond to any emails/phone calls within 48 hours
- You will ensure you provide the Education Program Officer with your availability at the beginning of the school year.
- If you require a leave of absence you will provide at least one month notice.
- You will enjoy yourself while volunteering for MOV
- You will make friends and expand your personal network

WHAT'S IN IT FOR YOU?

- Opportunity to be involved in the education of school children in a positive way
- On-going learning opportunities through professional development opportunities
- Chance to put your public speaking skills to work
- Opportunity to interact with others interested in supporting educational opportunities for school children.
- Free access to MOV Galleries
- Invitations to exhibit opening parties
- Access to MOV public programs and special events (free or member price)

WHO WILL YOU WORK WITH?

MOV's Education Program Coordinator, Jane Lougheed, supports, trains and schedules School Program volunteers.

HOW DO I APPLY?

Complete the on-line Volunteer Application. Provide references who can speak to your skills relating to the position. We will want to know that you are reliable and punctual. If selected for an interview you will be required to demonstrate your willingness and ability to do this volunteer work. If selected to volunteer, you will be invited to a MOV Orientation Session for new volunteers.

OUR VISION:

To hold a mirror to the city and lead provocative conversations about its past, present and future.