



Job Description

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| Position Title Play Guide | Organization Koch Family Children's Museum of Evansville | Supervisor Play Guide Coordinator |
| | Hours Varied / As Scheduled | FLSA Status Non-Exempt |

Basic Function:

Play Guides are responsible for working as a team to support open-ended, child-directed play experiences within the Museum's public spaces. Also responsible for providing all front-of-house functions (ticket and merchandise sales, restocking, information to guests, etc.), membership solicitation and fulfillment of the Koch Family Children's Museum of Evansville's mission.

Essential Functions:

- Work to create a climate that is conducive to play—behavior that is personally directed, freely chosen and intrinsically motivated.
- Engage children, adults, and teachers by disseminating information through speeches, presentations, educational programs and personal interaction.
- Intervene in carefully measured ways to support the play process, modeling creative and respectful ways to interact with children through play.
- Develop good communication with adult caregivers and engage those adults in appropriate play opportunities.
- Recognize and adjust for each individual child's and adult's cognitive, physical, cultural, and social differences.
- Engage in a daily individual and group reflective practice that includes recording observations of children's play and sharing them, in order to consistently improve and adjust to diverse play experience at the Museum.
- Learn about and be prepared to communicate information about Museum artworks and artists, deepening visitor experience and encouraging visual literacy and critical thinking.
- Provide opportunities for families to witness and talk about their play experiences.
- Solve problems and provide excellent customer service.
- Assist in the maintenance of a clean and safe work environment, to include performance of basic housekeeping duties.
- Assist the birthday party host family with set up, clean up, and time management for the duration of the party. Answer questions as needed.
- Solicit Museum Membership sales. Utilize membership software for fulfillment.
- Answer telephones and provide general Museum and community related information.
- Maintain a physical environment that is comfortable and engaging for both children and adults; clean and stock galleries to ensure the safety and cleanliness of all public areas.
- Troubleshoot visitor issues and be trained and prepared for emergencies; ensure the safety, orientation and comfort of visitors. Assist parents/caregivers in administering first-aid and complete incident reports.
- Communicate with the Museum's maintenance team to identify safety issues.
- Work weekends, holidays and occasional evenings (for museum after-hour events).
- All other duties as assigned by supervisor or Executive Director.

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Organizational Relationships

Reports to: Play guide coordinator
Supervises: N/A

Skills

- Excellent communications skills both in person and on the phone.
- Sales and customer service skills.
- Ability to prioritize tasks while working with minimal supervision.
- Ability to deal with sensitive issues and maintain confidentiality.
- Ability to deal successfully with a wide range of people.
- Cash transaction handling skills; and ability to work quickly and accurately under constant pressure.
- Working knowledge of cash registers, use of a calculator, and a working knowledge of Microsoft Word, Excel.

Education

- High School or GED; some college preferred, but not required.

Experience

- Must enjoy working with children and with the public.
- Demonstrated experience in Retail or Office duties is preferred.

Additional Requirements

- Successfully pass background check and drug screen.
- Maintain a valid Driver's License.
- Willingness to work flexible hours, including evenings, weekends and holidays.

Work Environment

- Work is primarily performed throughout all areas of the Children's museum.
- The majority of work is performed in a museum environment with attendant noise level and requires observance of safe work practices.
- Work requires exposure to the general public.
- Work requires circulating throughout the museum, using stairs and working around exhibits.

Physical demands (check what percentage of time weight is to be lifted or force is to be exerted)

| Category | Check the box that applies | | | |
|---|----------------------------|------|--------|------|
| | None | <25% | 25-50% | 75%+ |
| Lifts weight or exerts force: | | | | |
| Up to 20 pounds | | | X | |
| Up to 35 pounds | | | X | |
| Up to 50+ pounds | | X | | |
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| Physical Activity: | | | | |
| Standing / stationary | | | | X |
| Walking / Moving About | | | | X |
| Sitting | | | X | |
| Climbing / Stairs | | | X | |
| Balancing | | | X | |
| Stooping | | | X | |
| Kneeling | | | X | |
| Crawling | | | X | |
| Crouching | | | X | |
| Fine motor control Must be able to operate computers and technical/mechanical equipment. | | | | X |
| Visual Acuity Able to view computer monitors, reports, instrument panels, and visually inspect exhibits/work spaces. | | | | X |
| Communication Skills Ability to communicate extensively via telephone, two-way radio, one-to-one conversations, and group meeting presentations. | | | | X |
| Mental Concentration / Focus | | | | X |
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| Work Environment: | | | | |
| Work involves using office equipment including telephone, fax, computer, etc. | | | | X |

Acknowledgement (acknowledge that the information contained in this document is factual and complete)

Employee Signature _____

Date _____

Supervisor / Manager _____

Date _____

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