

## <u>Job Description: Nature in the City Environmental</u> <u>Educator – Seasonal, Part Time</u>

Baltimore Woods Nature Center is a leader in facilitating opportunities for people to build personal connections to nature. Through engaging experiences and place-based exploration, we envision communities united in stewardship and love of the natural world. www.baltimorewoods.org

Baltimore Woods Nature Center is a non-profit organization located in Marcellus, NY that has been dedicated to the mission of connecting communities and nature in wisdom and wonder for over 50 years. Located on 207 acres, the Baltimore Woods preserve is home to the John A. Weeks Interpretive Center and includes over six miles of trails that lead visitors through various stages of successional forest including a pond, valleys, wetlands, and streams. We are currently seeking experienced and engaging individuals to join our team of dedicated environmental educators who deliver on our mission and are the core of our programming throughout the Central New York community.

*Nature in the City* Environmental Educators design and deliver high-quality educational programming across K-5<sup>th</sup> grade classrooms in the Syracuse City School District. Entering into the 21<sup>st</sup> year of the program, *Nature in the City* brings one-hour hands-on/minds-on natural science lessons to each classroom 3 times a year during the school day. Lessons are designed around a common theme that follow the elementary science curriculum. Lessons bring engaging activities, local examples, and up-close encounters in nature into the classroom and take students outside to explore and apply what they are learning in nature in their own community. This position requires fingerprinting and a background check.

## **Primary Job Responsibilities**

- Deliver environmental education programs in formal and non-formal settings, with the Baltimore Woods *Nature in the City* program in K-5<sup>th</sup> grades across the Syracuse City School District. Programs often include an outdoor component.
- Assist in the development and evaluation of programs.
- Assist with the preparation and maintenance of program materials.
- Candidates may be also considered for additional Baltimore Woods programming such as school field trips, library programs, birthday parties, and nature day camps.

## **Qualifications**

- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills, including public speaking and writing.
- Understanding of natural science themes, nature-play, and interpretation.
- Strong organizational skills, ability to multi-task, adapt to change, and to prioritize effectively.
- Working toward or completion of a college degree in Interpretation, Environmental Education, or related field and/or significant applicable experience as a naturalist or teacher.
- Proven group management skills, including classrooms, camps, and/or outdoor field trips.
- Ability to work independently and as part of a collaborative team.
- Proficient in Microsoft Office.
- Have reliable transportation and comfortable commuting between Marcellus and Syracuse.
- Availability during all or part of the school day (8am-4pm) Mondays-Fridays.
- Experience with virtual content development and production, working with interns and volunteers, and/or program evaluation/assessment encouraged.

To apply, send resume and cover letter to: Whitney Lash-Marshall, Executive Director at <u>whitney@baltimorewoods.org</u>