MFAH Internship/Fellowship Description

Intern/Fellow Title: Public Relations Intern/Fellow

Academic Level: Undergraduate or graduate

Supervisor: Laine Lieberman

Department: Marketing & Communications

Dates of Internship/Fellowship Term Dates are Flexible- end of August/early

September start date through mid December 2017

suggested

Project Overview:

 The fellow will contribute to the following projects and activities in the Marketing & Communications department:

- Press clippings: searching online publications, print magazines, and newspapers for coverage of the MFAH and its entities; downloading, scanning, and organizing these clips for archival purposes
- O Drafting media alerts, press releases, and paid e-blasts
- o Researching media contacts and addressing media inquiries
- Assembling press kits and providing onsite support for M&C staff during media previews
- O Assisting with film crews and photographers at the Museum

Learning Goals and Objectives:

- Improved PR and promotional writing skills
- Experience with developing media pitches
- Better acquainted with working in an office environment
- Time management skills and taking on several projects at once
- Working both independently and in groups
- Project development skills

Skills, Knowledge and Abilities:

- Able to work both independently & with a team
- Strong organizational, research, time management, and writing/editing skills
- Working knowledge of Microsoft Office (including Word and Excel)
- Pleasant, professional manner when interacting with staff, media, and visitors

Education and Eligibility

- Undergraduate level: Students currently enrolled in an undergraduate program or who recently completed (within one year) a Bachelor's degree are eligible for this opportunity.
- Graduate level: Students currently enrolled in a graduate program or who recently completed (within one year) a Master's degree or Ph.D. are eligible for this opportunity.

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Anticipated Schedule:

• 20 to 35 hours/wk – the closer to a full-time work week the better, but we are flexible.

Unpaid/Academic Credit Internship:

- Academic Credit: Students wishing to earn academic credit do not qualify for a stipend and are responsible for ensuring all necessary paperwork is complete with your college/university. If MFAH personnel (University Programs Specialist and/or Intern/Fellow Supervisor) must complete paperwork (verify time-logs, evaluation, etc.), it is your responsibility to bring the paperwork to the MFAH's attention. Additionally, your college/university may have fewer or greater requirements for academic credit. If fewer requirements, you acknowledge the need to abide by the MFAH's requirements. If greater requirements, you acknowledge the need to inform the MFAH, and you understand the MFAH may or may not guarantee compliance with requirements of other institutions.
- Unpaid Internship: By agreeing to an unpaid internship, you acknowledge the internship will not constitute employment and no stipend will be provided.

Application Instructions and Deadline:

Please submit the following materials to interns@mfah.org.

- Letter of interest describing your experience and professional goals as relevant to this opportunity (maximum 1000 words)
- Résumé
- Additional materials requested
 - Writing sample (1 to 2 pages)

When submitting application materials, please include the name of the internship or fellowship, in the subject line of your email.