

Quogue Wildlife Refuge

Southampton Township Wildfowl Association



Summer 2019 Internship Opportunity

POSITION: Intern Educator for Summer Ecology Program

This is an unpaid Intern for a College Student studying Environmental, Educational or Animal related sciences.

DURATION: 9-10 weeks, 25 hours per week minimum

SCHEDULE: Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM, starting week of June 24, Longer days for field trips and night hikes during Young Explorers Week and Explorers Week (July 30, 31, Aug 1, 6, 7, 8). Training Day June 27.

Organization Background: The Quogue Wildlife Refuge is a 300 acre non-profit nature preserve that was founded in 1934 and is home to diverse wildlife. Open 365 days a year from sunrise to sunset, visitors can enjoy walking seven miles of trails to explore diverse habitats including forests and ponds, as well as the ecologically rare Dwarf Pines in the Pine Barrens. The Outdoor Wildlife Complex houses permanently injured wildlife that require human care to survive including a bald eagle, owls, falcons, foxes and other native New York animals. The Charles Banks Belt Nature Center offers spectacular views of Old Ice Pond as well as a variety of wildlife exhibits, live animals, a nature library, and gift shop.

This summer marks the 50th Anniversary of the Summer Ecology Program at the Refuge. Through hands-on, intense exploration, children learn some of nature's secrets, the importance of the natural world, and upon completing the program they will have more knowledge and a greater respect for the earth, and its inhabitants.

Internship Activities:

- Assist in teaching lessons and leading activities such as hikes and games for children attending the Summer Ecology Program. Nine one-week sessions of this Program are offered throughout the summer for children 2nd grade through high school.
- Assist with attendance, and various aspects of the program including set up and break down of camp activities, and supervising and safety of children.
- Summer Programming includes 2 Offsite Kayak adventures, 2 offsite trips to Sunken Forest Fire Island, 2 Night Hikes and 1 camp over at QWR.

This is a great opportunity to gain experience educating children of various ages about nature, to learn about the various wildlife and habitats of Long Island, learn to teach with and about a variety of native and non-native species. Also an opportunity to gain an understanding of how a non-profit organization operates.

How to Apply: E-Mail resume and cover letter to Marisa Nelson, Assistant Director
Marisa@QuogueWildlifeRefuge.org. Include 'Intern Educator for Little Naturalist Program' in Subject Line.