



## 2017 Volunteer Application

Thank you for your interest in serving young people and the community as a Volunteer Naturalist at the Seward Park Audubon Center! At the Audubon Center at Seward Park the role of a Volunteer Naturalist extends past that of a person who is knowledgeable about the natural world. You are a conservation advocate, a nature enthusiast, a teacher, a storyteller and a community leader.

Volunteer Naturalists help local families, children and adults cultivate wonder in nature through outdoor exploration, science and play. You will also learn about local ecology and interpretive techniques that will serve you for a lifetime. Ultimately, we are seeking volunteers who love people, provide great customer service and find a soulful reward in sharing their passion for natural wonder with our community.

To apply, please send this application to:  
Community Programs Manager

[mpita@audubon.org](mailto:mpita@audubon.org)  
(206) 652-2444 x107

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### CONTACT INFORMATION

Name:

Address:

City, State, Zip:

Telephone:

Email:

How did you find out about the program?

Why are you interested in volunteering with us?

## MORE ABOUT YOU

Please share any relevant professional, volunteer, or personal experience, educational background, certifications, and/or specialized skills that prepare you for this program.

**I am available to volunteer:**

	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Saturday</b>
Morning	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Afternoon	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Evening	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**I am interested in the following programs:**

**Field Trips and In-Class Workshops**

What you'll do: Guide students Grades K—8 on educational adventures at Seward Park and in their classroom! You will use interactive activities and games to teach lessons on environmental science and stewardship with groups of up to 25 students.

Requisites: Participate in one 5-hour training sessions, plus additional optional workshops; Minimum teaching commitment of four field trips or in-class workshops

Schedule: Mondays—Fridays between 10am and 1:30pm; September through June

**Interpretive Naturalist**

What you'll do: Inspire wonder for the natural world with fun facts and trivia about the fascinating birds and wildlife that reside in Seattle's largest old growth forest. Using Seward Park as a gallery of living exhibits, you will help park visitors appreciate the unique wonders of Pacific Northwest ecosystems!

Requisites: Participate in four 4-hour training sessions; Minimum commitment of one shift per week for two months

Schedule: Tuesdays—Saturdays between 9:30am and 1:30pm; May through September

**Assist with naturalist courses and special events**

What you'll do: Assist Lead Naturalists with guided nature walks, guiding guests on trail, signing in guests, setting up and cleaning up, tabling/outreach, provide support to Lead Naturalists as needed.

Requisites: No experience necessary

Schedule: Varies; Generally on Saturdays between 8:30am and 10pm

**Restoration Crew Lead**

What you'll do: Assist with community events in urban forestry; Teach volunteers about restoration practices, basic plant identification, tool safety

Requisites: Participate in a minimum of 2 restoration events; CPR/First Aid certification preferred

Schedule: Restoration events occur about once a month on Saturdays from 10am—2pm. Crew leads arrive 30 minutes prior to the event and stay 15 minutes afterwards; September through May

**Assist with Early Childhood Programs**

What you'll do: Lead one or both of the early childhood programs, Talking Tree or Toddler Trails and Tales. These programs are designed to connect young children with nature. Talking Tree program teaches young students about the importance of trees in their lives. Toddler Trails and Tales is a parent child nature exploration course that cultivates children's sensory awareness, curiosity and wonder in nature and teaches parents skills as a guide through a series of tiny trips in Seward Park.

Requisites: Participate in a minimum of 2 programs; experience teaching young children preferred

Schedule: Varies; Generally Wednesdays 10am-11am and Fridays 10am-11am; April through October