



PHILIP J. CURRIE DINOSAUR MUSEUM

Position: Bonebed Tours Assistant

Organization: Philip J. Currie Dinosaur Museum

Type of Work: Helping to supervise and lead summer bonebed tours at Pipestone Creek

Immediate Supervisor(s): Education Coordinator, Program Instructor, Bonebed Tour Guides

Time Span: Weekdays & Weekends; July & August

Description: The Philip J. Currie Dinosaur Museum is located just minutes away from one of the most scientifically important dinosaur graveyards in the world. The famous Pipestone Creek dinosaur bonebed is an international draw for both scientists and tourists, and is the main area of fieldwork excavations for our resident palaeontologists.

During the summer months, the museum's department of education leads guided tours from the Pipestone campground to the bonebed itself. Along the way, guests learn about local fossil species, the ancient ecosystem they lived in, and the beautiful natural heritage of the Peace Region. We also discuss how an animal like a dinosaur goes from being a pile of bones to a fossil trapped in the ground, and learn the fascinating history of the accidental discovery of the Pipestone Creek dinosaur graveyard. Once at the bonebed itself, guests learn the importance of the site, the methods used by palaeontologists to excavate fossils from the bonebed, and might even be able to see the scientists themselves at work.

Volunteer Duties:

- Helping museum staff organize and manage public bonebed tours
- Tour group management
- Process payments for tours
- Setting up, taking down, and interpreting fossil displays at Pipestone Campground
- Potentially leading bonebed tours on weekdays

Good Qualities to Have

- A love of working outdoors in a variety of weather conditions
- Able to walk moderate distances over a variety of terrain
- An outgoing, positive, and friendly demeanor
- Is responsible and dependable
- Interest in nature, science and education. A formal background in education and/or science is an asset but not necessary
- Good verbal communication skills