## CITY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND PARKS



**Griffith Observatory** 2800 East Observatory Road, Los Angeles, CA 90027

# <u>Museum Guide</u> Salary: \$17.53 per Hour

(The current salary range is subject to change. You may confirm the starting salary with the hiring department before accepting a job offer.)

Observatory Museum Guides are part-time, at-will employees of the City of Los Angeles, Department of Recreation and Parks, who work at Griffith Observatory. The Observatory is open to the public 12:00 noon – 10:00 p.m. on most weekdays (except Monday) and 10:00 a.m.–10:00 p.m. on weekend days (Saturday-Sunday).

#### Available hours:

- 10 to 20 hours per week on average based on schedule and shift availability. Hours will vary.
- The Observatory is closed to the public on Mondays, but some activities and special events are scheduled for Mondays.
- The in-person Observatory School Program is conducted most Wednesday Friday mornings during the school year, 9:30 a.m. 12:00 noon. School programs shifts are 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

#### **Description of Duties:**

- Interprets astronomical information for the general public.
- Explains exhibits related to observing, astronomy, and related sciences and answers questions related to the Observatory, astronomy, space, and related sciences.
- May be asked to run equipment in the Leonard Nimoy Event Horizon Theater, and to start, stop, and introduce video programs in the theater.
- Safeguards exhibits.
- May provide astronomical information to, and lead tours for, school students participating in the Observatory School Program.

### **Qualifications:**

- Completion of 12 semester units or 18 quarter units in a recognized college or university in architecture, history, physics, chemistry, biology, astronomy, zoology or a related field is required.
- Six months experience performing work in the above fields may be substituted for the required education.
- Possess outstanding oral communications skills, excellent customer services skills, and a willingness to work with the public.

**To Apply:** Send cover letter and resume to: Dr. David Reitzel, Astronomical Lecturer <u>goguide01@gmail.com</u> (PREFERRED) or 213-473-0816 (fax)

**Deadline date to apply:** Open until sufficient applications are received.