City of New York/Parks & Recreation Seasonal Job Vacancy Notice

Civil Service Title: Urban Park Ranger Office Title: Seasonal Urban Park Ranger

Salary: \$18.04 per hour Duration: June-August 2016 Work Location: Citywide

As stewards of nearly 14 percent of New York City's land, the Department of Parks & Recreation builds and maintains clean, safe, and accessible parks citywide and programs those parks with recreational, cultural and educational activities for people of all ages. Through this work, Parks & Recreation improves people's lives, providing outlets for creative expression, opportunities for healthy recreation, and exposure to the restorative beauty of the natural world.

#### **Position Description:**

The New York City Urban Park Rangers seek naturalists and outdoor enthusiasts who want to spend their summer working with the public to build park stewardship and to act as ambassadors for New York City's vast greenspace. As a Seasonal Urban Park Ranger, you will work outdoors in flagship parks in all five boroughs in the greatest city in the world. Under supervision, Seasonal Urban Park Rangers, will provide nature and history-themed educational programs throughout the day. Seasonal Urban Park Rangers, will spend part of their day patrolling frequented paths helping the public appreciate the natural and historical elements of our parklands, and providing general information and a uniformed presence. Seasonal Urban Park Rangers, will be uniformed and trained to use a radio for communication, and to promptly respond to quality of life issues. 35 hours per week, including some overnights and weekends.

## **Qualification Requirements**

- 1. An Associate degree or completion of 60 semester credits from an accredited college; or
- 2. A four-year high school diploma or its educational equivalent and one year full-time satisfactory experience in one of the following: law or code enforcement, security, ecology, or as an environmental instructor or ranger in a recognized park, recreation or ranger program, cultural institution, or accredited school.
- 3. A satisfactory combination of education and experience equivalent to "1" or "2" above. College education may be substituted for the required experience in "2" above on the basis of five semester credits for one month of experience. Experience working as a clerk or secretary is not acceptable.

Residency in New York City, Nassau, Orange, Rockland, Suffolk, Putnam or Westchester counties required for employees with over two years of city service. New York City residency required for all other candidates.

At the time of appointment, candidates must qualify for deputization as Special Patrolman by the New York City Police Department. Such individuals must be of good moral character, have U.S. citizenship, be at least 21 years of age, and have no record of conviction for any felony or for any serious offense against public safety as defined in New York State Penal Law.

- \$89.75 Processing fee required for finger printing and background check.
- Seasonal employees must purchase their own uniform.

# License Requirement

At the time of appointment, all candidates must have a motor vehicle driver license valid in the State of New York with a satisfactory driving record. This license must be maintained for the duration of employment.

#### **Preferred Requirements**

- 1. Education and/or experience in natural science topics.
- 2. Teaching Experience.
- 3. Excellent oral/written communication skills.
- 4. Outgoing personality and excellent public speaking skills.

### Send resume and cover letter by mail, fax or email to:

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