

## **Position: Camp Counselor, Urban Park Ranger Summer Camps**

**Title:** City Seasonal Aide (Seasonal: June-August 2009)

### **Agency Description:**

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 Urban Park Rangers' (UPR) mission is to link New Yorkers to the natural world, teach them to care for the environment and their parks, defend the parks, and their wild residents and restore New York's natural heritage. The Urban Park Rangers seek seasonal naturalists and outdoor enthusiasts who want to spend their summer working with children as **camp counselors** in our Junior Rangers day camps to build park stewardship through fun, educational activities, such as canoeing, hiking, fishing, orienteering, arts and crafts, and camping. Camp counselors work 40 hours per week, including some weekends and overnights.

**Length of position:** Approximately June 15 through August 21.

**Work locations:** Counselors will be assigned to one of the following: Inwood Hill Park (Manhattan), Marine Park (Brooklyn), Crotona Park (Bronx), Blue Heron Park (Staten Island)

### **Processing Details**

- \$94.25 Processing fee required for fingerprinting and background check.

### **City Seasonal Aide Requirements**

1. While there are no formal education or experience requirements, certain programs may require such standards. Good physical condition is required for certain programs.

### **Preferred Qualifications**

1. Education and/or experience in natural science topics. Teaching experience and/or camp experience.
2. Outdoors experience (canoeing, fishing, orienteering, etc.)
3. Excellent oral/written communication skills.
4. Outgoing personality. Good physical condition (must provide physician's documentation to be hired).
5. Ability to juggle and prioritize multiple tasks and meet deadlines.
6. First aid/CPR certification; lifeguard or progressive swimming instructor (water safety instructor or equivalent) certification.
7. Valid driver license.

**Salary:** \$10.24/hour

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

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