

2012 NYC SUMMER INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

PARKS & RECREATION-009

City Parks Foundation/Photography
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AGENCY DESCRIPTION

Parks & Recreation is the steward of more than 29,000 acres of land — 14 percent of New York City — including more than 5,000 individual properties ranging from Yankee Stadium and Central Park to community gardens and Greenstreets. We operate more than 800 athletic fields and nearly 1,000 playgrounds; we manage five major stadia, 600 tennis courts, 66 public pools, 51 recreational facilities, 17 nature centers, 14 golf courses, and 14 miles of beaches; we care for 800 monuments and 23 historic house museums; we look after 600,000 street trees, and two million more in parks. We are New York City's principal provider of athletic facilities. We are home to free concerts, world-class sports events, and cultural festivals.

The work of the agency goes far beyond the maintenance of 14% of New York City's land. Parks is the City's leading programmer of cultural, athletic and social activities, including nature walks, concerts, learn-to-swim classes, sports clinics, historic house tours, and much more. Each year Parks hosts annual events such as the WinterJam, Adventures NYC, the Pumpkin Festival and several others. In addition, Parks produces many special events, including concerts and movie premieres. In the summer, Parks' busiest season, the agency organizes free carnivals and concerts, and sends mobile recreation vans to travel throughout the five boroughs providing free rental equipment for skating, baseball, and miniature golf.

The Parks Commissioner is appointed by the Mayor to oversee and direct the work of the agency. The Commissioner appoints Deputy Commissioners, Borough Commissioners, and Assistant Commissioners who are responsible for managing the agency's divisions. These senior officials supervise the work of thousands of Parks employees. They work with elected officials to complete capital improvements for parks, playgrounds, and recreation centers. They work with the private sector to sponsor free public events. They get the community involved in Parks through volunteer initiatives and educational and athletic programming in recreation and nature centers. They prepare Parks' budget and monitor the work of Parks' ice-skating rinks, golf courses and other concessions.

UNIT DESCRIPTION

City Parks Foundation is the only independent, nonprofit organization to offer park programs throughout the five boroughs of New York City. We work in over 750 parks citywide, presenting a broad range of free arts, sports, and education programs, and empowering citizens to support their parks on a local level. Our programs and community-building initiatives now reach more than 600,000 New Yorkers each year, contributing to the renewal of neighborhoods throughout New York City.

We offer a meaningful, unpaid summer internship experience as a photography intern within the Marketing and Communications Department.

POSITION TITLE

Photography Intern

INTERNSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES

Interns will be a part of our professional photography crew and have the opportunity to photograph a wide range of programs produced by City Parks Foundation including: SummerStage and SummerStage Kids performing arts festivals; CityParks Sports programs including Tennis, Golf and Track and Seniors Fitness; CityParks Education programs. Interns will expand and build their portfolios, while simultaneously learning about NYC neighborhoods and community programs. Photos are used for publicity purposes, CPF brochures, CPF website, Facebook, Flickr and more.

QUALIFICATIONS / SPECIAL SKILLS / AREAS OF STUDY

- Must have experience shooting live events (a portfolio will be requested from candidates selected for interviews)
- Must be highly organized and self-directed; arrive to events on time and submit photos in a timely manner
- Have experience with photo-editing programs
- Willing to travel independently to neighborhoods throughout the five boroughs

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- Must have own equipment
- Interest in performing arts, children's and community programs a plus
- Knowledge of NYC and public transportation a plus
- Must be willing to travel to events and work a flexible schedule including evenings and weekends (approximately 25 hours/week)

APPLICATION PROCESS

Please email cover letter and resume to Leslie.Nusblatt@parks.nyc.gov

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Unpaid

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION / COMMENTS