

CHRISTODORA MANICE EDUCATION CENTER 2008-9 Year-Round Teaching Opportunities



Organization Description: <u>www.christodora.org</u>

Program/Position Description:

Located in the heart of the Northern Berkshire Mountains, Florida, MA: http://www.christodora.org/english/documents/description.pdf

Environmental Educator I & II (EE I & EE II):

Christodora-Manice Education Center offers four positions to highly qualified applicants who aspire to teach with us for 9-12months of the year. Teachers begin teaching at the Manice Education Center (MEC) in the summer/fall 2008 as a Field Teacher I or II and then have the opportunity to transfer to New York City and join the Christodora's Winter Ecology Teaching Program in the NYC public schools for 6 month as an Environmental Educator I or II, finally returning to MEC as a Field Teacher in late April for the Spring Season.

MEC Spring Session: April 21 through June 13, 2008 (optional)

MEC Summer Session: June 16 through August 29, 2008

MEC Fall Session: September 8 through October 24th, 2008

NYC Winter Ecology Teaching Program*: Nov. 3 – Approx. April 10, 2009

MEC Spring Session 2009: Approx. April 20 to June 12, 2009

*NOTE: 3.5 weeks of paid vacation are included during the Winter Program

Responsibilities at Manice Education Center (MEC) as a Field Teacher:

- O Co-teach students in environmental/natural science and leadership curriculums in small co-ed groups of students (max. 12) ages 11-18.
- Ø Co-lead up to six, 3 to 4 day summer wilderness expeditions
- Ø Overnight supervision of students (max. 7)
- Ø Mentor Field Teacher Interns in teaching/facilitating environmental/natural science and leadership curriculums.

EE Responsibilities for Christodora Winter Ecology Program in NYC: November to April 2008-2009

- Ø Develop/present hands-on ecology lessons for NYC public school students for two- seven week semesters
- Ø Lead field trips to environmental/cultural institutions and natural areas in the NYC metropolitan areas.

Oualifications:

- Ø Self-motivation, patience, flexibility, and enthusiasm for the outdoors and urban youth.
- Ø Experience in teaching/interpretation, group mgt., & wilderness leadership programming
- Ø First Aid or Wilderness First Aid, CPR, Waterfront Lifeguard Certifications or ability/commitment to obtain during employer offered trainings in June.
- Ø BA/BS in related discipline. Background clearance and physical required.
- Ø EE II will have extensive experience and ability to mentor/teach peers additional academic curricula. Additional compensation considered.



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Environmental Educator I & II (EE I & EE II):

Compensation:

- Ø Up to \$350/wk D.O.E. Room/board, workers insurance, equipment discounts, paid work related transportation and communications.
- The opportunity to work/live in a beautiful outdoor setting and be a member of an integral team of professionals providing dynamic and unique programming.
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 \textsize \textsize The opportunity to continue the "Manice style" programming, offering team-taught hands-on ecology classes in Christodora's partner public schools in underserved neighborhoods of NewYork City.
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Note: There is a 3 week orientation and training period in classroom management and curriculum prior to the start of teaching program.

TO APPLY:

Send cover letter, resume and 3 references to Matthew Scholl, MEC Program Director: manice@christodora.org or mail to Christodora, Manice Education Center, 68 Savoy Road, Florida, MA, 01247 Tel./Fax: (413) 663-8463.