



Summer Student/Youth Positions 2026

Heritage Interpreter

qathet Museum & Archives Society

The qathet Museum & Archives is hiring Young Canada Works and Canada Summer Jobs positions to fill the role of Heritage Interpreter. These seasonal positions will work alongside permanent museum staff to assist with visitor services and interpretive programming at the qathet Museum & Archives main museum and the Forestry Museum. Each Heritage Interpreter hire will be assigned one of the following program areas:

1. The position of **Heritage Interpreter - Forestry Museum** will be responsible for the planning and delivery of interpretive programming including hands-on activities and heritage demonstrations related to forestry history and logging industry.
2. The position of **Heritage Interpreter - Interpretive Programs** will contribute to the provision of a broad complement of enhanced visitor programs and heritage experiences. They will be responsible for the planning and delivery of daily and biweekly interpretive programming including hands-on activities and heritage demonstrations related to local community history.

Heritage Interpreters will orient and engage museum visitors and program participants and, at the direction of museum staff, lead and contribute to the delivery of museum interpretation and programming in a fun, engaging and educational manner.

Employment term: May 18 – September 6, 2026; 35 hours per week, inclusive of evenings and weekends.

Location: qathet Museum & Archives, 4798 Marine Avenue, Powell River BC, Canada

Compensation: \$20.00 per hour

Description of Duties:

- Reception, admissions, and visitor orientation
- Positively contributing to a collaborative team environment by supporting and assisting with interpretive programs and visitor services across the Museum
- Providing daily drop-in interpretation and guided tours to museum visitors
- Develop and deliver interpretive programming including hands on activities and heritage demonstrations
- Daily cleaning, care, and maintenance of exhibits
- Ensuring the professional presentation of the Museum displays, gift shop and facilities
- Updating displays, object labels, and interpretive text panels
- Opening and closing Museum facilities as per operational procedures
- Admissions/Gift Shop cash and POS, restocking, and retail assistance
- Assist with content creation for qMAS social media accounts
- Assist with museum collections care and management including environmental monitoring and conservation measures, updating collections records and digital database, and artifact/archival digitization initiatives
- Research, develop, and implement an assigned interpretive enhancement project (i.e. interpretive program, museum exhibit, exhibit improvement, or visitor experience)

Qualifications:

- Possess excellent communication and public speaking skills
- Comfort speaking to crowds of 10 people
- Creativity and a keen interest in local history
- Clear Criminal Background and Vulnerable Sector Checks
- Experience delivering tours and/or interpretive programs is considered an asset
- Some spoken knowledge of French or other language would be an asset
- Valid First Aid certification is considered an asset

To be eligible, applicants are required to meet the following eligibility criteria:

- All positions require applicants to be
 - between 15 and 30 years of age at the start of the employment
 - able to get to the qathet Museum & Archives for work and training
 - able to work evenings and weekends
 - a Canadian citizen, permanent resident, or person to whom refugee protection has been conferred under the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act for the duration of the employment
 - a valid Social Insurance Number at the start of employment and be legally entitled to work in Canada in accordance with relevant provincial or territorial legislation and regulations

- Some positions require applicants to be
 - a recently registered full-time high school, college, or university student planning to return to full-time studies

The qathet Museum and Archives is an equal opportunity employer. Please apply with a cover letter and resume by email to: info@powellrivermuseum.ca. Include "Attn: Museum Manager – Heritage Interpreter" in the subject of your email.

Positions will remain open until filled. Apply today!

We would like to thank all applicants for their interest in this position. Only candidates selected for an interview will be contacted.

qathet Museum and Archives

4790 Marine Avenue

PO Box 42

Powell River, B.C. V8A 4Z5

Tel: 604-485-2222

info@qathetmuseum.ca