

JUDITH &
NORMAN
ALIX

ART
GALLERY

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

DOCENT



OVERVIEW

All Docents start as Gallery Animators. Upon completing Gallery Animator duties, those interested may enroll to become Docents. Docents are people who lead guided tours through the art gallery for a range of ages and levels of interest. Docents listen to visitors, engage in conversation and enhance the visitor experience at the gallery and appreciation for art.

COMMITMENT

- Make a minimum commitment of 2 years
- Be available a minimum of 2 times a month to animate the gallery (shifts can range between 1 and 3 hours)
- Be available for a minimum of 1 tour per month, based on demand (tours last between 15 minutes and 1 hour and may occur during the weekday, on weekends, evenings, and holidays)

TRAINING

- Attend required training sessions to develop professionally, and refine engagement strategies
- Attend exhibition cycle reviews to learn about new exhibitions, programs, events, and to develop professionally (6-9 times per year)
- Shadow active docents or gallery staff as required and determined by gallery staff
- Stay current by logging into the JNAAG Google Classroom

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Ensure visitors abide by gallery guidelines and reinforce the need for compliance, when necessary.
- Provide a positive visitor experience by maintaining a friendly and approachable manner when dealing with guests, staff, and other volunteers
- Be versed in gallery exhibitions, activities, programs, and events
- Conduct research and share knowledge with the docents group and animators interested in becoming docents
- Prepare tour proposals for feedback and approval by the JNAAG Education Team.
- Plan and facilitate both large and small group tours
- Apply strategies to create meaningful connections between art and visitors
- Maintain a calm and confident demeanor

QUALIFICATIONS

- Interpersonal, communication, and customer service skills

Credentials

- A satisfactory Police Vulnerable Sector Check. Costs reimbursed after one year of successful volunteering.



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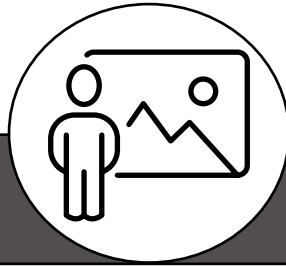
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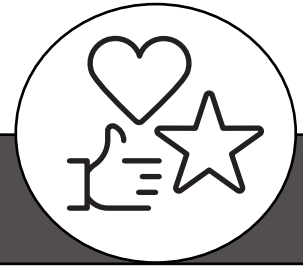
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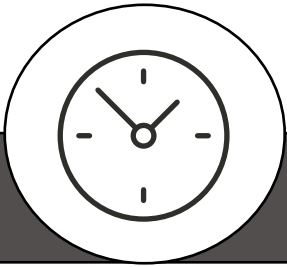
Are curious about artists as well as their varied perspectives, stories and creative processes



Are interested in art as a form of expression and communication



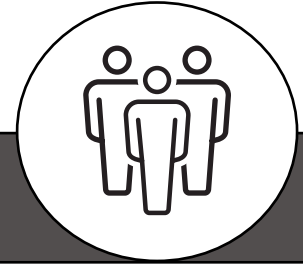
Abide by the gallery's policies and procedures for volunteers



Are reliable and punctual



Provide a successful level of job performance



Are ambassadors of the gallery



NEXT STEPS >>>



Those interested in becoming a volunteer are encouraged to submit a [Volunteer Application](#). Staff will send a notification when dates for upcoming Information Sessions become available. Information Sessions provide the opportunity to learn about various volunteer positions with the Judith & Norman Alix Art Gallery. Candidates will later be interviewed with necessary screening which may include, but is not necessarily limited to, an interview, police vulnerable sector check, and reference checks.



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