

Amerind Foundation Job Announcement

Associate Curator of Collections & Exhibitions



Position Description

The Amerind Foundation of Dragoon, Arizona, seeks a dynamic individual to serve as the Associate Curator of Collections & Exhibitions, supported in part by the William Duncan Fulton Curator of Anthropology endowment. This is a full time position. Salary, depending on experience, will be between \$52,000 and \$63,000 plus benefits. The Associate Curator will manage the Amerind Foundation collections, including contemporary cultural objects, cultural objects recovered from archaeological investigations, a non-circulating library, and archives. Collections management activities include caring for a 40,000 object collection, managing a 20,000 volume library, managing Amerind's archives, cataloging new donations, maintaining collections records and inventories, loans, work on ongoing repatriation efforts in consultation with tribal governments, authorizing archival reproduction permissions, overseeing collections care volunteers and Amerind's Librarian. The Associate Curator is responsible for preserving the collection for future generations, working with appropriate conservation experts. In exhibitions, the Associate Curator will work with Native American contemporary artists to collaboratively curate exhibits of their work, as well as with artists whose subject matter focuses on the American West. The Associate Curator is responsible for developing exhibitions on historical and cultural themes with appropriate advisors. The Associate Curator is expected to pursue funding opportunities, such as grants, in support of these activities. The Associate Curator will help plan public programs associated with these activities. The Associate Curator will help researchers and artists use Amerind's collections. The Associate Curator will engage in community outreach. The Associate Curator will have other duties as assigned. Business travel is required. This position reports to the President, CEO & Chief Curator.

Requirements

- Master's degree in anthropology, history, Native American studies, museum studies, or related field
- Minimum of five years of experience in a similar position(s)
- Demonstrated experience in collections care
- Demonstrated experience in exhibition development
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills

Preferred Experience

- Ph.D. in anthropology, history, Native American studies, or related fields
- Demonstrated experience working with descendant communities and advising experts
- Demonstrated experience working with contemporary artists

The Amerind Foundation, Inc.

Established in 1937, the Amerind Foundation is a 501(c)(3) operating foundation dedicated to promoting knowledge and understanding of Indigenous peoples of the Americas through research, education, conservation, and community engagement. The Amerind is located in rural southeastern Arizona, 60 miles east of Tucson.

How to Apply

Applications should consist of a letter summarizing the applicant's interests and qualifications, a copy of the applicant's current résumé or cv, samples of their work, and the names and contact information of three professional references. Successful applicants will be asked to provide transcripts and will undergo a criminal background check. Review of applications will begin on February 28, 2021. The position will remain open until filled. Please email applications to amerind@amerind.org (preferred) or send a hard copy to the following address: The Amerind Foundation, Inc., P.O. Box 400, Dragoon, AZ 85609.

The Amerind Foundation is an equal opportunity employer and values a diverse professional community and learning environment. Candidates who can contribute to this goal are encouraged to apply and identify their strengths and experience in this area.