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Current Resident or:

Become a Docent

(909) 395-2510 | E-mail: museuminfo@ontarioca.gov GALLERY HOURS: Noon to 4 PM | Thursday - Sunday www.ontarioca.gov/museum

The Ontario Museum of History & Art is a public-private museum operated by the City of Ontario with support from the non-profit Ontario Museum of History & Art, Associates.

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Become a key member...

of our vital educational team, sharing your passion for learning with visitors of all ages at the Ontario Museum of History & Art!

Who are Docents?

Docents are trained volunteers who provide essential group learning experiences through tours at the Museum and outreach programs at schools and community centers in Ontario. No previous background in art or history is required, just a passion for learning and interacting with visitors.

The Process

- Call (909) 395-2510 or email museuminfo@ontarioca.gov for an application to be sent to you
- Complete the docent application
- · Interview with Docent Committee and Museum staff
- Upon acceptance into the program, the applicant will fill out an on-line City of Ontario Volunteer Release Form and complete the process for a criminal background check

Requirements

- Be physically able to move around the Museum's building and grounds; to communicate verbally with visitors
- Attend all sessions of the Docent Training Program (approximately 2 months) and complete take-home assignments
- Be available for docenting assignments a minimum of 15 times per year
- Commit to docenting for at least two years following graduation from the training program
- The ability to speak a language other than English is a plus
- Become a member of the Museum (\$25 individual membership)

Training Schedule

Held every Wednesday of May and June 10:00 AM to 12:30 PM Museum's Historic Council Chambers





Training Topics

Training topics give docents information needed to conduct fun and successful tours through lectures, gallery activities, and practice tours. Topics include: Ontario and regional history; secrets to talking about art; an in-depth look at the Museum's two local history exhibits, *Road Ways* and *Gem of the Foothills*; the Museum's new water conservation landscape and the outreach program *Ontario History on the Go.* Ongoing orientations give an overview of new exhibits and docents will have the opportunity to go on fieldtrips to local historical sites and museums.

Core Exhibits

Road Ways - Examines the impact of the road and highway on American life and culture.

Gem of the Foothills - Explores the unique history of Ontario and the surrounding area, its founding, transitions, people and organizations.



Changing Exhibits

The Ontario Museum of History & Art offers a variety of cultural, artistic and other historical exhibits throughout the year.

New! Water Conservation Landscape

Learn about the Museum's new grant-funded water wise garden that highlights the landscape of the Tongva, the founding of the community by the Chaffey brothers, and water-conserving features and plantings.

