

# Bartow-Pell Mansion Museum

## Docent and Volunteer Opportunities

### School Groups

Throughout the school year classes from New York City and surrounding area schools visit the Bartow-Pell Mansion. We currently offer two onsite programs, geared towards 3rd—5th grade, and one Program for Secondary Students 7th-12th grade. These programs are as follows:



- **19<sup>th</sup> Century Program:** Teach students about life on a country Estate during the Mid-late 19<sup>th</sup> century. Tour the mansion and carriage house
- **Native American Program:** Teach students about the Lenape/Delaware who were the first inhabitants of the Bartow-Pell site. Play Native American games, listen to music, and teach some basic food preparation. This program takes place outside at our authentic wigwam.
- **In-School Programs:** As a precursor to our 19<sup>th</sup> Century program we can visit the students at school to do a hands-on interactive program, using primary source materials and 19<sup>th</sup> Century artifacts.
- **Architecture and Design:** Students explore and investigate the Mansion and Carriage house from the point of view of an architect. Teach 7-12 graders about the architectural styles of Bartow-Pell and the features that make up those styles.

### Adult Tour Groups

The museum is open to the public on Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday, however, we do offer tours to groups who make reservations during the week as well.

Currently we offer a general tour relating to the history and social history of the site from 1654 through 1925. This tour includes the mansion and restored carriage house.

### Weekend Family Programs

Our current Annual events for families include: Spring Egg Hunt, Harvest Festival (new 2007) and a Holiday Event. All family events need volunteers to help to provide a welcoming visitor experience.

### Docent Training

Docent training is scheduled during off months when there are fewer visitors and groups. We also have 2 docent luncheons per year, so Docents can get together in a more casual environment and get to know each other.

### Additional Volunteer Opportunities

If volunteering as a docent is not what you are looking to do, there are a variety of other volunteering opportunities. Some of these opportunities are:

- Helping with weekend programs like lectures, concerts, family programs, and other special events
- General office help with mailings and clerical work
- Whatever you may think you can offer as help to us we are always open to ideas and suggestions.

### VOLUNTEER BENEFITS

Some of the benefits of being a volunteer at Bartow-Pell are:

- Access to the Museums AAM Card for admission to museums nationally.
- Advance notice to lectures and concerts
- 2 luncheons or trips annually
- Docent Training Sessions
- 10% Discount in Museum Shop



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## VOLUNTEER SIGN UP

**Send to:** Education, Bartow-Pell Mansion Museum, 895 Shore Road, Pelham Bay Park, Bronx, N Y 10464  
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### Days Available to Volunteer:

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