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Mid-West Tool Collectors Association
Preservation and Documentation Internship
Summer 2019
George Washington's Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, Virginia

Introduction:

George Washington's Mount Vernon is pleased to invite applications for a summer 2019 internship in the Historic Preservation and Collections Department. This internship, generously supported by the Mid-West Tool Collectors Association, will offer a unique and exciting opportunity to perform hands-on preservation work and documentation at America's most-visited presidential home. In 2019, Mount Vernon's architecture team will be undertaking a full-scale restoration of the west elevation, including stripping and sand-painting the rusticated siding, doing all necessary repair work to the siding, trim and windows, and performing thorough documentation of the entire project. The intern will work closely with members of the Preservation Architecture division and will get some exposure to other historic preservation and collections colleagues and library staff.

Responsibilities:

The focus of the internship is to assist with the glazing and repair of the 18th-century windows on the west front of the Mansion house, execute documentation of the west front restoration project, and assist with additional tasks as needed.

This paid internship is full-time (40 hours/week) for 10 weeks (or an equivalent number of hours). Compensation in the amount of \$5,000 (gross) is offered, payable on Mount Vernon's bi-weekly pay schedule. Applicants are responsible for their own housing and travel arrangements. Mount Vernon is happy to work with the intern's academic program to provide credit for the internship period.

Qualifications:

Minimum of bachelor's degree in Historic Preservation, the Building Arts, or related field required, as well as experience with window repair and glazing; graduate coursework or master's degree preferred. Familiarity desired with 18th-century building materials, techniques, tools and resources; abilities to work both independently and within a team, and abilities to prioritize tasks, document information in a clear and well-organized manner, and proofread required.

Start date target: late May/early June 2019

To apply:

Please submit electronically via our website www.MountVernon.org: cover letter and curriculum vitae or resume (no more than 2 pages) with contact information for 3 references by: **February 28, 2019**. Point of contact: Caroline Spurry, Architectural Historian, cspurry@mountvernon.org