BECOME A MAINE PRESERVATION FELLOW!

Spend the summer in Maine doing preservation work with us! Maine Preservation, a statewide nonprofit historic preservation organization, is offering up to four Summer Fellowship positions for students of historic preservation and related fields in conjunction with the preservation trades and professions.

Fellowships span 9 weeks in the summer, and are typically split between 5 weeks hands-on site work with a trades firm and 4 weeks of organizational work at Maine Preservation’s headquarters; 9-week programs solely in the field or at our office also may be possible depending on scheduling availability and the interest of the Fellow. Assignments and projects at the trade/professional sites will be made according to the Summer Fellow’s skill set and the projects available at the time.
Most Endangered Historic Places and Honor Awards: solicit, research and help coordinate 2020 Most Endangered Historic Places list and the 2020 Honor Awards

Protect & Sell Program: assist with documentation and marketing of historic properties for sale

Easement inspections and recording, site visits, and curating field service project documents

Research and creation of content to drive audience engagement

Bagala Window Works, headed by Marc Bagala, has restored historic windows and doors from houses, churches, commercial blocks, etc. since 1988. Marc also designed and manufactures large-scale steam stripping machines.

The Heritage Co., headed by Victor Wright, is a fourth generation business that specializes in the historically accurate restoration of slate and tile roofs and copper cornicing.

Preservation Timber Framing, headed by Arron Sturgis, a past president and current member of Maine Preservation’s Board of Trustees, repairs and restores 18th and 19th century barns, steeples, museums and houses.

Work at Headquarters

Responsibilities at Maine Preservation’s headquarters include research and professional writing along with event and advocacy orchestration. Special projects this summer include:

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**Housing & Transportation**

Housing and transportation will be the responsibility of the Summer Fellow. Maine Preservation is located at 233 West Main Street near the Yarmouth village, 10 miles northeast of Portland on Interstate 295. Transportation will also be required to get to the trades site each day, which can be up to an hour away from Portland (carpooling is common, but not guaranteed).

**Compensation**

Fellows will be compensated at $12.50 per hour.

**Benefits**

Benefits of a Summer Fellowship include exposure to the preservation field, both to the tangible applications of construction and repair, and to the program, policy and advocacy side of preservation. Fellows will be introduced to the preservation professional’s community, policy makers, preservation consultants, supporters and donors, and allied organizations in the field. Fellows will gain important practical knowledge of how preservation businesses run and how preservation nonprofits function. An academic or professional background in preservation is encouraged and some experience related to the professional or trades placement is advantageous. A good sense of humor is essential.

To apply, please submit a cover letter and resume to Ali Barrionuevo at ali@mainepreservation.org by Friday, February 28, 2020. Please include in your cover letter:

- a brief introduction of your background
- a description of your relevant experience and skill set
- whether you have access to transportation and a Maine connection for the possibility of housing
- optimal 9-week timeframe between May and September when you are available
- why you’d like to work with Maine Preservation

After the application deadline has closed, Maine Preservation will review the applications with our partner trades organizations, and selected candidates will be interviewed by phone.