

ASSISTANT ARCHIVIST AND DIGITIZATION SPECIALIST

The Milwaukee County Historical Society seeks an Assistant Archivist and Digitization Specialist. This position makes Research Library resources accessible and discoverable through digitization and borndigital records management, as well as assisting with digital policy development and implementation. In addition, this person will assist the Archivist in the day-to-day operations of the Research Library. This position is supervised by the Archivist and the Director of Collections and Exhibitions.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Develop and perform specialized procedures and workflows for digitization of Research Library materials and digital archives handling, including management, metadata creation, storage, preservation, and exhibition
- Prepare archival resources for digitization, manage digital repository workflows, and manage delegated digitization projects and/or project phases
- Maintain relationship with Milwaukee County to develop policies and procedures for managing born-digital materials for transfer, storage, preservation, organization, description, and access
- Assist with Research Library reference and research services
- Assist in managing and strategically expanding the digital collection of MCHS
- Ensure adherence to archival best standards, principles, and practices in the preservation and digitization of museum materials
- Supervise and/or direct interns and volunteers in digitization tasks
- Promote knowledge and use of the collections by making presentations, talks, and/or interviews to the media, library groups, historical societies, and student groups
- Remain current on best practices and emerging trends through self-directed study, developing professional contacts with colleagues, and attending professional development conferences, courses, and workshops
- Perform other related duties as assigned

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

- Bachelor's degree in History, Museum Studies, Library Sciences, Archival Studies, or a closely related field
- At least one year of experience working in archives, digitization, libraries, museums, public history, records management, or research
- Knowledge of current trends and new developments in digitization, digital library initiatives, archives, and special collections
- Knowledge of current metadata standards and digital content management systems
- Experience planning, managing, and overseeing multiple projects, meeting deadlines, and prioritizing work
- Demonstrated flexibility, creativity, and sound judgment in the workplace

- Demonstrated ability to work both independently and collaboratively and maintain positive working relationships
- Effective written and verbal communication skills with colleagues, patrons, and in public speaking
- Ability to lift up to forty pounds, climb ladders, and push fully loaded carts weighing over one hundred pounds

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS:

- Master's degree in History, Museum Studies, Library Sciences, Archival Studies, or a closely related field
- Experience working with digital collections including born-digital files and the creation and management of digitization projects and workflows
- Knowledge of privacy and copyright issues in the digitization of collections
- Knowledge of HTML, XML, and other coding languages
- Familiarity with digital preservation services

SCHEDULE: Schedule fluctuates bi-weekly, Tues-Sat alternating with Mon-Fri. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

BENEFITS: Paid Time Off, IRA matching contribution, discounted parking, short/long-term disability

PAY RANGE: \$39,520 - \$45,760

APPLICATION PROCESS: Please send cover letter and resume to Ben Barbera, Director of Collections and Exhibitions at <u>bbarbera@milwaukeehistory.net</u>.