



Title: Shipkeeper

Hours: Full time, hours vary with events, overtime exempt.

Reports to: Historic Ships Manager

Description: The Shipkeeper will interact effectively with visiting public and staff, focusing mainly on Cruiser *Olympia* preservation tasks.

Qualifications:

- Strong background, with at least five years of experience, in electrical and mechanical fields.
- Minimum one year of experience in marine operations, management, ship maintenance or a similar field.
- Ability to safely use power tools and work independently required.
- Undertake other duties and special projects as assigned.
- Ability to manage materials and provide clear comprehensive reporting.
- May be required to work weekends.
- May be required to work events beyond normal schedule.
- May be called in to assist for major emergencies on scheduled days off.
- Required to be on-call for emergencies aboard ship.
- Ideal candidate will have strong communication skills
- Understand preservation standards, along with all applicable safety standards.
- Automotive Driver's License and Marine credentials a plus.

Duties:

- Routine maintenance tasks including regular ship cleaning, snow removal, safety patrols, scraping and painting, wood and/or steel work.
- Shipkeeper performs routine duties in service to the visiting public and in maintaining the historic ships of the Independence Seaport Museum.
- Position requires ability to lift to 50 pounds, ladder and staging work, and work in confined spaces. Also requires knowledge of job safety practices, safe use of tools and ship maintenance materials. Understanding of curatorial practices and interpretation of historic sites is a plus.
- Develop historical knowledge of Cruiser *Olympia* and Submarine *Becuna*. Deliver information to the public consistent with the museum's interpretive plan for the ships.
- Assists with the management of volunteers and contractors.
- Other duties as assigned.

To apply:

Send a brief cover letter and your resume in an e-mail to Sean Null at snull@phillyseaport.org. No phone calls.

Independence Seaport Museum deepens the appreciation, understanding and experience of the Philadelphia region's waterways through history, science, art and community. For more information, please visit phillyseaport.org.

Location: Independence Seaport Museum, 211 S. Columbus Blvd., Philadelphia, PA 19106. The Museum is easily accessible by public transportation and nearby parking.