

Special Event Volunteer Opportunities

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Month: Ongoing

Hands-on Program Assistant - Kalamazoo Valley Museum Assist children with arts and crafts on various Saturdays throughout the school year as well as daily during school breaks, December 28-January 1 and March 29-April 2, 2010. Minimum age: 14 Background checks required for all volunteer positions.

Contact Information: Annette Hoppenworth 269-373-7995 ahoppenworth@kvcc.edu

Month: June

2010 Do-Dah Parade Volunteers - DKA Charities Come help us with the Do-Dah Parade! Volunteers are needed for a number of tasks and it's easy to sign up and volunteer. Opportunities:\nParade Line-Up: Greeting parade unit coordinators and lining them up in their section. Once your line goes through the gate, your job is basically done. (12 volunteers needed)\nJasper Street Line-Up: If you like floats and organized chaos, this job is for you. Line up floats along Jasper Street and then assist in identifying when floats go into street. (3 volunteers needed)\nInformation Table: Answer questions regarding the line-up and where units are located. Hours: [9:30-11:30am] (2 volunteers needed)\nGate Assistant: This person is responsible for keeping the units going through the right gate. (1 volunteer needed)\nHours: Sat, June 5 [9:30am-12:30pm], various shifts.\nMinimum age: 18

Contact Information: Deb Droppers 269-388-2830 deb@eventkalamazoo.com

Month: June

Annual Art Fair Volunteers - Kalamazoo Institute of Arts Volunteers are needed for a variety of activities including: face painting, Kid's Art Yard activities and make-and-take crafts. Face painters receive training prior to this annual event. Some familiarity with paints or make-up is desirable. Hours: Held the first Saturday in June, rain or shine! Volunteers must be able to make a one-day commitment and attend an evening training session prior to event and work 2-4 hr shifts between [9am-5pm] on day of event. Minimum Age: 13.

Contact Information: Sandy Linabury 269-349-7775 ext 3114 sandy_l@kiarts.org

Month: June

End of Year Bash - Kalamazoo Communities in Schools Join us on Wednesday, June 9th at Milwood Magnet Middle school. The after school programs of four middle schools will be gathering from 5pm until 7pm to celebrate all of our achievements with an end of the year bash. In addition to the event itself, we could use help with set-up, which runs from 2pm until 4:30, and take down, which will be from 7:15pm until approx. 8:30pm. Volunteers will receive a t-shirt, hot dogs!

Contact Information: Coco Cook 269-337-1601 x 218 ccook@kcis.us

Month: June

Golf Scramble Volunteers - American Diabetes Association Volunteers needed to help with our 20th Annual Golf Scramble at the beautiful Gull Lake View Golf Club. Volunteer jobs include set-up, golfer registration, cashier, course volunteers, golf cart volunteers, banquet games, silent auction, photographer and clean-up. Hours: Thur June 10, 2010, [10am-8pm], various shifts available. Minimum age: 18

Contact Information: Tiana Ramos-Gee 616-458-9341 ext. 6712 tramos-gee@diabetes.org

Month: June

2010 Kalamazoo Pride Festival - Kalamazoo Gay Lesbian Resource Center Volunteers needed to help with various activities at this annual event: set-up, greeting/handing out guides at gate, beer pouring, drink ticket selling. Location: Arcadia Creek Festival Site, downtown Kalamazoo. Hours: Sat, June 12, 11am-11pm, 2-hour shifts available. Minimum age: 16

Contact Information: Alison Strasser 269-349-4234 contact@kglrc.org

Month: June-Aug

Summer Camp Assistant - New Genesis, Inc. Volunteers needed to help with various activities at our variety of summer camps: basketball, soccer, football, golf, volleyball, baseball, swimming, music & arts, technology, academics and field trips. Must be friendly, good with children and have some computer

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experience. Hours: Camps run each week between Jun 20-Aug 20 [9-1pm] or [1-5pm]. Minimum age: 17.
Contact Information: Barb Ewell 269-343-7023 - ext. 243 bewell@newgenesisinc.org

Month: June

31st Annual Kalamazoo Klassic Volunteers - MRC Industries, Inc. Volunteers needed for registration, aid stations, food, folding T-shirts, etc., prior to and during race days on June 19, 2010. Volunteers must be able to stand for a period of 3-5 hours at a time (some indoor, mostly outdoors). Minimum age: 15. Hours: [5:30am-11:00am]

Contact Information: Brenda Buyce Depweg 269-343-0747, X225 bdepweg@mrcindustries.org

Month: June

Meal Packing for Haiti Relief Effort - The Salvation Army We need 3,500 volunteers to commit to 2 hours of packaging simple nutritious meals for Haiti on Sat and Sun, June 19 & 20. Location: Former Sam's Club building at 665 Mall Drive in Portage. Minimum age: 3. Please note: ALL VOLUNTEERS MUST REGISTER IN ADVANCE at www.tsakalamazoo.org\nHours: Commit to a 2-hour shift on Sat [8am-6pm] or Sun [2-6pm]

Contact Information: Betsy Clark 269-743-0683 betsy_clark@usc.salvationarmy.org

Month: June

Summer Gathering Event Volunteers - Kalamazoo Deacons Conference Help with various activities for our end of school Summer Gathering event, held annually in June at LaCrone Park. Hours: Flexible. Minimum age: 16

Contact Information: Joni Groendyk 269-344-7333 ext 13 joni@deaconsconference.org

Month: July

2010 Summerfest Booth Operator - Kalamazoo Psychiatric Hospital Summerfest is a carnival-like celebration with food booths, informational booths, games, dunk tank, bake sale, plant sale, entertainment and more! Volunteers are needed to help at various booths, serving food, taking tickets and helping with games. The goal of Summerfest is to break down some stereotypes that the community may have towards mental illness. Hours: Thu, July 22, 2010 [11am-3:30pm], various shifts available. Minimum age: 16

Contact Information: Nicole Stahl 269-337-4029 stahl@michigan.gov

Month: July

Family Fun Day Volunteers - Kalamazoo Gospel Mission Need 75 fun-loving people to help with Family Fun Day. Volunteers will help make popcorn, cotton candy, snow cones and help with games for children and serving food to the community. Date: July 24 [10:15-3:15]. Minimum age 16.

Contact Information: Hannah Dockweiler 269-553-0672 ext 3 volunteer@kzoogospel.org

Month: July

Shoe Distribution Volunteer - First Day Shoe Fund Help children (K-2) to select and try on new shoes for start of the school year. Help prep & sort shoes and clerical duties as needed. Location: Northeastern Elementary. Hours: July 26-29, 2010. Minimum age: 14

Contact Information: Valerie Denghel 269-375-7767 firstdayshoefund@aol.com

Month: August

Festival Clean-Up - Black Arts & Cultural Center Volunteers needed to help clean-up Arcadia Creek Festival Site after Black Arts Festival. Hours: Sun, Aug 1, 6-10 pm. Minimum age: 16

Contact Information: Sidney Ellis 269-349-1035 info@blackartskalamazoo.org

Month: August

Tournament Volunteers-Youth, Teen & Adult Opportunities - USTA Boys' 18 & 16 National Tennis Championships See future pro tennis players! Watch great tennis! Each year over 800 volunteers are needed at the USTA Boys' 18 & 16 National Championships held at Kalamazoo College's Stowe Stadium and

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WMU Sorensen Courts. Be part of the 68th year of this nationally renowned tournament. Get your family and friends together and have fun volunteering at the Nationals. To find out more go to www.ustaboys.com and download a volunteer form or call the Tournament Office at 269-337-7343. Hours: August 6-15, 2010; various shifts. Minimum age: 9.

Contact Information: Joanne Barretta 269-337-7343 joanne.barretta@wmich.edu

Month: August

Ball Runner - USTA Boys 18 & 16 National Tennis Championships Be close to the action! The USTA Boys' Nationals need you! Ball runners, ages 9-15, work as a team to retrieve balls during matches on the three top courts at Kalamazoo College's Stowe Stadium during the August 6-15, 2010 tournament. Ball runner teams will have evening practices twice a week during the summer and will be assigned daily morning, mid-day or afternoon shifts during the tournament. More information and forms are available to download at www.ustaboys.com. We look forward to you being a part of this nationally renowned tournament! Get your friends and neighbors together and sign up early. Register by Tuesday, May 21, 2010. Tournament Hours: August 6-15, 2010 [8am-6:30pm], teams of runners will be assigned morning, mid-day or afternoon shifts each day of the tournament. Minimum age: 9

Contact Information: Kelsey Hassevoort 269-569-1512 kelseyhassevoort@gmail.com

Month: August

Festival Volunteers - Kindleberger Summer Festival Opportunities available in each of the following areas: face painting, hands-on arts, finger painting, Arts & Crafts runners, information booth attendants, pathway monitors, parade volunteers, t-shirt sales, playbill distributors, 5K Race volunteer, or street dance volunteers. Must have a willingness to work and support festival activities. Times vary by activity. Date: Jul 7-12, 2010. Min age: 16

Contact Information: Kris Jordan 269-345-4061 kindlebergerarts@sbcglobal.net

Month: August

Tower Runner - USTA Boys 18 & 16 National Tennis Championships Tower runners, ages 12-19, work 4-hour shifts at Kalamazoo College's Stowe Stadium during the August 6-15, 2010 tournament. Volunteers work in teams of two to put players' names on the "Player On Court Board" and run errands for the tower officials. Patience is needed in waiting at your assigned area for a task to be given. Hours: August 6-15, 2010, 4-hour shifts [7:45am-7:30pm]. Minimum age: 12-19.

Contact Information: Cathy Boris 269-342-1679 MCBoris@aol.com

Month: August

2010 Ribfest Event Volunteer - Community Advocates Multiple tasks helping to facilitate the actual event: ticket takers, booth workers, beverage servers, balloon volunteers, gate attendants, various event helpers, etc. Must be able to follow directions and make monetary change. Date of event: Aug. 5-7, 2010 (held annually in early Aug.). Location: Arcadia Creek Festival Place, Kalamazoo. Hours: Thu, Fri or Sat: 3 hr. shifts between [11 a.m. to 1 a.m.] may work one or more shifts. Minimum age: 18 (over 21 preferred)

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Month: August

Canoe Float Volunteer - Kalamazoo River Cleanup Coalition Volunteer needed to help staff a "Kanoethe Kazoo" canoe float down the Kalamazoo River. Volunteer should have own canoe or kayak. Location: Starting at Merrill Park in Comstock. Hours: Aug, 14, 2010 [8am-noon]. Minimum age: 18

Contact Information: Gary Wager 269-382-0490 ext 271 glwager@gmail.com

Month: August

2010 Kalamazoo Scottish Festival - Kalamazoo Scottish Festival Association, Inc. Volunteers are the heart and soul of the Scottish Festival. It is a fun way to display your community pride, meet new people and

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be a part of a great cultural event. Various volunteer opportunities available: Festival set-up, merchandise tent, children's games, meat pie tent, highland games, clean-up crew, etc. Hours: Set-up- Aug 27; Festival- Aug 28; Two-hour shifts scheduled [9am-6pm], free admission to volunteers. Location: Kalamazoo County Fairgrounds. Minimum age: 14

Contact Information: Ann Simmons 269-382-6624 easim92@aol.com

Month: September

SW Michigan Community Harvest Fest Volunteers - Fair Food Matters Festival volunteers are needed to help with activities for children's programs, an information table, as parking assistants, and for set-up and clean-up. Date: Sun, Sept 19, 2010, at Tillers International, Scotts, MI. Hours: [11:30am-6:30pm]. Minimum age: 14

Contact Information: Josh Keller 269-492-1270 jrkeller@gmail.com

Month: September

Pepsi Punt, Pass & Kick Event Helper - Kalamazoo Dept of Parks & Recreation This is a fun event for volunteers! You may assist with registration, spotting, measuring, recording scores, and assist at scorers table. Location: Mayors' Riverfront Park, 251 Mills St. Date: Sept. 19, 2010. Hours: [11-2:30pm] Minimum age: 16.

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