

Fairy Tale Forest 2014 Volunteer Opportunities

Event Hours 5:30 to 8:00 pm Friday, Saturday & Sunday Oct. 24, 25 & 26

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What Is Fairy Tale Forest???

Fairy Tale Forest is like a play, except visitors walk through the ½ mile paved trail and meet the characters along the way. Afterwards, visitors enter the Nature Center where they can enjoy our world class exhibits, meet a live creature and make a craft. It is **NON-SCARY** fun for all ages, although it is designed especially for little ones.

Proceeds benefit the Nature Sanctuary's mission of providing habitat for wildlife and outdoor education for the public.

Volunteer Crew Needed...See below...

Volunteers may sign up for one or more evenings as their schedule allows.

Outside Work

Characters / Understudies: Call or stop by for a copy of the script. All characters need to arrive at MLTNS as scheduled for make-up and props, and instructions. You must stay until the last group of visitors finishes going through the trail...anywhere from 8:00 to 8:40 pm. By the time you hang up your costume, remove make-up ,etc. you may be here until about 9 pm. (Need about 14 per night.)

Backpackers: Lead groups of visitors through the trail... (very few lines to learn), mostly be friendly with people. Need to be at MLTNS from 5 – 9 pm. Ask kids questions about costumes, etc. The characters are animals, plants and fairy tale characters. (Need 12-13 per night)

Crowd Workers: Crown workers talk to people waiting in line. Need to be at MLTNS 5 – 8:15 pm. Must be able to move, manage and control groups of people. Need to be able to “take charge” and direct people into groups of 12-15 while they wait to go on the trail. Lead people to the backpackers at intervals of 5-7 minutes. Must be personable and able to think fast, on your feet. It's a fun job. You get to see all the kids in their costumes, talk with them and enjoy little kids at their cutest. (Need 3 per night)

Chief Runner: Duties: Oversee runners. Need to be at MLTNS from 3:30-9 pm. Runners report to you to receive directions on what to do and when. Monitor the character's candy levels so they don't run out. (Need 1 adult)

Runner: Duties: Put out props, tables, chairs and bring props and other things as needed in at the end of the night. Take cookies and drinks to all volunteers (inside, outside and parking) and assist as needed. Need to be at MLTNS from 4:00 – 9 pm. You may need to stay later on Sunday. Runners do not actually run but they are walking all night. Wear black clothing and dress according to the weather. Wear good comfortable shoes. (Need 8 per night).

Parkers: Direct visitors parking. Need to be at MLTNS from 5 – 8:45 pm. One parker needs to be at MLTNS at 4:15 pm to direct most of the volunteers where to park. (Need 6 per night).

Ticket Sales: Greet people with a smile. Sell tickets at the event, give out bags (for children who forgot theirs) to put candy in. Need to be at MLTNS from 5 – 8:15 pm. (Need 3 per night (2 adults)).

Inside Work:

Volunteer Greeters: Duties: Sign volunteers in and out, direct volunteers to area they need to be. Need to be at MLTNS from 3:45 to 7:30 pm. Help runners as needed. (Need 1 per night.)

Craft Activity Helpers: Show and help children complete crafts. Need to be at MLTNS from 5 – 9:15 pm. One person is needed as a craft room greeter to invite children into the classroom for crafts. (Need 8 per night).

Face Painting – Paint friendly Halloween characters on children's hands and face. We do not paint over eyes.

Front Desk/Gift Shop: Greet people, sell gift shop items, answer the phone and questions and other things as assigned. Need to be at MLTNS from 5:00 – 9:00 pm. (Need 2 per night)

Animal Handler: Handle some of the exhibit animals. Interact with kids and parents. Talk about what the animal eats, how it lives, etc.

Pelt Table: Have kids guess what kind of animal that each pelt came from. (If they get 2 right, they receive a prize). Engage visitor by describing various pelts and skulls at your table. Need to be at MLTNS from 5 – 9 pm. (Need 2 per night).

Volunteer Refreshment Maker: Make refreshments, (hot cocoa, popcorn) and arrange cookies and all in baskets and coolers for runners to distribute. Need to be at MLTNS from 5 – 7:30 pm. (Need 2 per night).

Photographer – photograph the kids as they come to the event. Photo with the FTF Fairy as she leads them to the start.

Costume Maker: make new character costumes for the event,

2014 Characters:

Fairy Tale Forest Fairy
Raccoon
Coach Goldfinch
Daddy Long-leggers (2)
Luna Moth
Dragonfly
Freddie Fungi & Alice Algae
Nurse Brown Bat
Skunk
Turkey Vulture
Tiger Salamander
Elves
Backpackers (need at least 12)

Corporate Request for supplies.

\$250 or amount available for a corporate sponsorship. Costumes for Fairy, Raccoon, Goldfinch, Luna Moth, Dragon Fly, Bat, Nurse, Skunk, Turkey Vulture, Salamander, 2 Elves, eight backpacks, eight hiking sticks, five different types of candy for 500 people (each type)./ three face painting kits, make-up pencils for lines to face paint, four safety flashlights for parking lot duty, eight small flashlights with batteries for tours, 12x12 event canopy tent, 12x20 event canopy tent, 5000 raffle tickets with name/phone # lines.

VOLUNTEER LIABILITY WAIVER AND PHOTO PERMIT – Please print clearly.

Name _____ Organization and/or school _____

Street Address, City, State and Zip _____

Home phone _____ Cell phone _____

If under 18, Date of Birth _____ AND Parent/Guardian Name and Phone _____

You may contact me with further volunteer opportunities at this e-mail address _____

E-mail of parent if under 18 _____

Liability Waiver

I now release the Martha Lafite Thompson Nature Sanctuary, its employees, agents and assigns for any personal injuries or damages to property caused by or having any relation to my volunteer services with MLTNS.

Photo Permit

I authorize Martha Lafite Thompson Nature Sanctuary to take photographs and /or video to be used in print, online or TV. I understand these pictures will be used for public relations. Children under the age of 18, and adults upon request, will not be named or otherwise identified in the publications. We use first names only for children.

_____ Please initial if you **do not want you or your child to be photographed**. You or your child has the responsibility of alerting the photographer .

I have read this release and understand all of its terms. I sign voluntarily and with full knowledge of its significance.

Volunteer _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian if under 18 _____ Date _____

Have you ever been convicted of a crime? Yes / No. If yes please explain on the back of the form.

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