

Maggie L. Walker

National Historic Site

National Park Service
U.S. Department of the Interior



Park Internships

Maggie L. Walker National Historic Site offers internship opportunities for college or graduate students. Intern positions support interpretation operations and educational programs in the park.



Park Information

Maggie L. Walker National Historic Site, home of the first African American woman in the United States to become president of a chartered bank, has been a National Park Site since 1978. The National Park Service preserves the home of Mrs. Walker, who was

the leader of the Independent Order of St. Luke, an important benevolent association. In addition, she was also a philanthropist, a feminist, and an early advocate of civil rights, becoming active in many national organizations.

Qualifications

Maggie L. Walker National Historic Site seeks interns with an avid interest in the history of civil rights in the U.S., education, and/or historic preservation who have demonstrated communication and customer service skills. Education interns must be dedicated to working with school-aged children. It is

recommended that candidates be actively pursuing careers in historic interpretation and/or education. Personality should include flexibility, a friendly disposition, and the ability to handle the stress of children (for education internships) and busy visitor centers in stride.

Duties and Responsibilities

Interpretation: Duties include running the visitor centers, presenting talks or tours, and making sales in the bookstores. Opportunities exist to do historical research with the park historian and curatorial work with the park curator.

Education: Duties include working with school groups delivering curriculum-based education programs. Opportunities exist for

program development with the Education Coordinator. Education position will also work the visitor center desk, greeting and orienting visitors.

Communications: This is a distinctive part-time internship for the spring and fall. Tasks focus on supporting the park's external communications effort, including print and digital media, and public relations.

Dates of Service

Spring: January to May

Summer: June to August

Fall: September to December

Benefits

Benefits for interns:

- Free housing (if required and available);
- Uniform shirts will be provided;

- Experience working in your field with NPS;
- School credit from your college or university.

Application Procedures

Application deadlines:
Spring: 11/02
Summer: 04/01
Fall: 06/30

Application Documents:

1. Cover letter;
2. A detailed resume listing education, work experience, and other interests;
3. Three references;
4. An unofficial transcript.

Mail, fax, or email all materials to:

Intern Coordinator
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