



Position: Preservation Technician

Location: Stratford Hall
483 Great House RD.
Stratford, Virginia 22558

Term: Full time, 2 Year Term Position

Position Objective:

Stratford Hall is seeking a Preservation Technician to assist with the preservation and maintenance of its historic structures, in support of its overall preservation program. The position requires frequent hands-on building preservation and cyclical maintenance work, including but not limited to carpentry, masonry, plaster repair, painting, and roofing. The Preservation Technician will also aid in efforts to research and interpret the historic architectural resources of Stratford Hall.

General Statement of Duties:

1. Perform annual condition assessment of historic structures, prioritize projects, prepare report on findings, and develop plan for necessary remediation, repair or stabilization in coordination with the Director of Preservation and Maintenance.
2. Implement remediation, repair or stabilization plan developed to address issues identified in annual condition assessment, as approved by the Director of Preservation & Maintenance.
3. Coordinate work of contractors on projects, as needed and assigned.
4. Conduct research as necessary to assure the accuracy of restoration and preservation projects.
5. Assist with maintaining records and files related to Stratford's restoration and preservation efforts.
6. Assist with developing budgets for preservation and restoration activities.
7. Perform minor maintenance duties on non-historic buildings when needed.
8. Support large onsite events and programs, as needed.
9. Additional duties as assigned.

Qualifications:

Education:

- Associate Degree (or equivalent years of experience) in historic preservation or related field required. Bachelor Degree preferred.

Experience:

- Prior experience in maintenance and preservation of historic structures.
- Hands-on preservation training/experience preferred.

Specialized Skills:

- Knowledge of the Secretary of the Interior's Standards and Guidelines for the Treatment of Historic Properties.
- Familiarity with 18th-century building methods and materials.
- A demonstrated proficiency in carpentry, painting, plastering, and/or masonry is preferred
- Good writing and computer skills and proficiency in Microsoft Office programs

Physical Requirements:

- Ability to perform construction work, including lifting and carrying and associated manual labor.
- Ability to lift and carry up to 40 lbs; Ability to stand for long periods of time; Ability to bend and crawl; Ability to climb and balance on ladders.

Compensation:

\$40,000 a year

Fair Labor Standards Act: Exempt

How to Apply:

Interested applicants should send a letter of interest, a resume and two references.

Applications should be received by September 20th and mailed to:

Stratford Hall
Director of Preservation & Maintenance
483 Great House Road
Stratford, VA 22558

Or emailed with Preservation Technician in the subject line to:

pmark@stratfordhall.org

All questions can be directed to Phil Mark, Director of Preservation & Maintenance, at (804) 493-1975 or pmark@stratfordhall.org.

About Stratford Hall:

Stratford Hall is located in Westmoreland County, Virginia on the beautiful Northern Neck of Virginia. Westmoreland County is a 45 minute drive from Fredericksburg, two hours from Washington DC and 90 minutes from Richmond. Stratford is set on 1,900 acres with 2.5 miles of Potomac River waterfront.

The National Historic Landmark Stratford Hall Great House and related buildings were constructed in 1738 and are among a handful of exceptionally intact survivals from colonial Virginia. In addition to the Great House, Stratford also features an operating reconstructed 18th century gristmill and extensive gardens. Stratford was the home of the

Lee family, which includes two signers of the Declaration of Independence. It was also the home of “Light Horse” Harry Lee and birthplace of Robert E. Lee.

The landscape is primarily hardwood forests and pastures but also includes two gardens and extensive maintained grounds. Stratford also has two guest houses and over 30 rustic cabins that were built to house Stratford’s board members during the twice annual meetings.