

10-week funded summer 2024 conservation internship in Phillips, ME



Description

- Conservation internship with non-profit Firebird Foundation for Anthropological Research focused on the surface cleaning, rehousing, and moving of a robust material culture collection, including but not limited to basketry, textiles, bead-, wood-, and metal-work collected in collaboration with local communities in Malaysian and Indonesian Borneo from 1959 through 2002
- Supervision by Conservators Nicole Passerotti & Ellen Pearlstein—in person for two weeks and remote for the remainder—and in person by Firebird’s Archivist and Collections Manager Anne Olivares for the duration of the internship

Compensation

- \$8,000 stipend for 10 weeks of full-time work, plus housing, airfare, and vehicle for daily use provided
 - Note: Housing shared with other intern(s) and visiting supervisor(s)

Who should apply

- Currently enrolled graduate students in conservation, objects specialty preferred
- Individuals comfortable working and living in a relatively remote, rural environment and fieldwork setting
- Those willing to live and work collaboratively with other interns and visiting supervisors

Please submit letter of interest, resume/CV, and names of two references to firebird@firebirdfoundation.org, anne@firebirdfoundation.org, npasserotti@ucla.edu, & epearl@ucla.edu. Email Anne with any questions!

Deadline to apply is **February 9th, 2024**

About the area

Phillips is a small & quiet rural town with a well-stocked grocery store, post office, and gas station. During the summer months, street fairs, farmers' markets, and opportunities for outdoor activities (especially hiking) are plentiful in the area.

Within a half an hour drive from Phillips:

- Farmington, home to University of Maine and a quaint downtown area with great shops, coffee shops, and restaurants
- Rangeley, a beautiful 4-season recreational area surrounded by lakes & mountains



View from the house



Accommodations

*One of four bedrooms

About the housing

The shared housing is a 5-bedroom house with 2 bathrooms, a full kitchen, laundry room, and several shared spaces with an unbeatable view. The large deck is ideal for stargazing!

