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## **Corpus Christi Museum of Science & History**

1900 N. Chaparral Corpus Christi, TX 78401 (361) 826-4667

<b>JOB TITLE:</b>	<b>Museum Researcher</b>
<b>REPORTS TO:</b>	Curator
<b>STATUS:</b>	Full time
<b>FLSA CODE:</b>	Non-exempt
<b>SALARY:</b>	\$37,500
<b>WHO MAY APPLY:</b>	All persons legally authorized to work in the United States and meet minimum education and experience.

### **Corpus Christi Museum of Science & History (CCMSH)**

**Mission** - The mission of the CCMSH is to engage our community in the active exploration of science, history, and innovation in the Corpus Christi and Coastal Bend region.

**Vision**- We believe that discoveries made at the Museum or through our programs lead to lifelong passions for understanding the past, exploring the present, and imagining a brighter future.

**Position Summary:** The Museum Researcher works closely with the Curator to connect the stories of the objects in CCMSH's collections with the public by supporting the creation of exhibits, Museum Live scripts, volunteer scripts, social media, education programs; identifying and expanding on objects in the Museum's collections; and fulfilling external questions and requests related to the Museum's artifacts or mission. The Museum Researcher will work most closely with the Museum's historical and archival collection but may overlap with the Museum's additional focus on natural history and science.

The Museum Researcher is key contributor to the Museum's Exhibits Committee. Their role is to provide advanced or in-depth research on the objects or topics being considered for display. As content experts, they also bring a key perspective to writing interpretive texts and labels. The Museum Researcher provides a similar role in other Museum programming that brings visitors in contact with the collections.

This position also works to increase the Museum's awareness of the incredible stories contained in the collections by helping to identify no data or low data objects, or by deepening knowledge about core objects.

#### **Essential Duties and Responsibilities:**

- Research objects or topics chosen for exhibit.
- Contribute to writing interpretative texts and labels for exhibits.
- Research existing or future exhibit topics to provide increased depth.
- Respond to public requests for information regarding the collections or topics related to the Museum's mission.
- Provide information on objects selected by other departments for social media, script writing, educational programs.
- Research unidentified or under-identified objects in collections.
- Handle objects according to best museum practices.
- Document new knowledge or status changes of collections objects in the collection management software.
- Archive research in a way useful for future reference



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- Other duties as assigned.

### **Qualifications**

- Bachelor's Degree in a related field or equivalent work experience will be considered.
- Background knowledge of Texas, Coastal Bend, or South Texas History preferred.
- Experience managing multiple projects concurrently.
- Meets deadlines and achieves results.
- Excellent interpersonal skills required; flexible, respectful, and professional at all times.
- Problem-solving and decision-making skills.
- Previous experience with academic research and research heavy projects.
- Computer proficiency including Microsoft Office and collections management software.
- Dependable, excellent judgment, and demonstrated ability to collaborate.
- Excellent organizational skills, attention to detail, and strong and engaging verbal and written communication skills.
- Clear and thoughtful communication when working with internal and external clients.

### **Physical Demands:**

- The physical demands described are representative of those necessary to perform the essential functions of the job.
- Job duties regularly require standing, walking, reaching, kneeling.
- Ability to travel to other program sites or events as needed.
- Must be physically capable of lifting 25lbs.

### **Behavioral Expectations:**

**Customer Service-** Enthusiastically interacts with all customers, assumes personal responsibility for meeting customer's needs, and consistently demonstrates a commitment to customer satisfaction.

**Interpersonal Skills-** Sensitive to the needs, ideas, and feelings of others; Facilitates a team process that includes all necessary departments.

**Adaptability/Flexibility-** Adapt to changing or unusual situations (or customer expectations).

**Communication-** Clearly and effectively communicates ideas and requests to others.

**Initiative-** Starts and completes tasks without prompting; Willing to make recommendations and assume additional responsibilities.

**Team Player-** Fully participates in maintaining a positive team environment that is conducive to customer or donor satisfaction.

**Effective Leadership-** Builds trust among co-workers, and focuses on delivering and exceeding expectations of customers, whether internal or external.



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**Organized/Efficient-** Organizes work and uses time effectively; Takes the initiative to look for new opportunities during downtime; Recommends innovative ways of doing work more efficiently and effectively.

### **Compensation:**

- Compensation based on experience and education.
- Full-time, salaried, non-exempt position.
- Free staff parking.
- Discounted admission and purchases.

### **Closing Statement:**

- Selected applicants must be able to pass a background investigation.
- Any position that lists a minimum qualification for education level and license/certification will require the applicant to provide proof of documentation if selected for hire.
- The job description for this position is intended to provide an overview of responsibilities and is not meant to be considered all-inclusive.
- Please submit a cover letter and resume to [karens3@ccmuseum.com](mailto:karens3@ccmuseum.com). As the first step in your application's evaluation, please type your last name and the position you're applying for in the subject line. Should your application be advanced, we will request authorization for a background check, and references.



**1900 N. Chaparral St.  
Corpus Christi, TX 78401**

## EMPLOYMENT APPLICATION

*Your application will be reviewed in detail. The decision on which applicants will be interviewed will be based on the information you provide within the format given herein. You may attach your resume to this application but it will not be accepted in lieu of an application.*

*Our policy is to provide equal employment to all qualified persons without regard to race, creed, color, religious belief, sex, sexual orientation, age, national origin, ancestry, physical or mental disability or veteran status.*

### PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Complete Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Day Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a U.S. citizen or authorized by INS to work? *(Documentation will be required)*  Yes  No

Have you ever been convicted of a felony? *(This will not necessarily affect your application)*  Yes  No

If yes, please explain:

Are you bi-lingual?  Yes  No In what language/languages? \_\_\_\_\_

### EMPLOYMENT DESIRED:

Position applying for: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever applied for employment here?  Yes  No

When \_\_\_\_\_ What position? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been employed by this company?  Yes  No

When \_\_\_\_\_ What position? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you presently employed? Yes No      May we contact your present employer? Yes No

Supervisor Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you willing to travel? Yes No      Do you have an automobile? Yes No

Valid Driver's License Number:  State:

Can you provide proof of auto insurance? Yes No      Date you can begin employment:

**EDUCATION:**

High School      Location      Graduate      Yes No

\_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      GED      Yes No

College      Location      Degree Obtained and Major

\_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_

Can you provide proof of your education? Yes No      (*Documentation will be required*)

Are you planning to continue your studies? Yes No

If yes, where and what courses of study? \_\_\_\_\_

**COMPUTER SKILLS:**

Typing Speed in WPM: \_\_\_\_\_

- List all the Computer Software that you are **proficient** in and describe your experience and skills in each.

**WORK EXPERIENCE:** Please list employment for the last five-(5) years starting with most recent employment.

<i>Employer:</i>		<i>Date From</i>		<i>Date To</i>	
<i>Address:</i>					
<i>Position/Title:</i>					
<i>Responsibilities:</i>					
<i>Reason for Leaving:</i>					

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<i>Responsibilities:</i>					
<i>Reason for Leaving:</i>					

*Attach an additional sheet if needed to list all employments in the last 5 years*

**REFERENCES:**

List three references (**two of whom must be former employers**), not related to you, whom you have known more than one year.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Years Known: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Years Known: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Years Known: \_\_\_\_\_

Please tell us which responsibilities outlined in the accompanying job description are most suited to your skills and why:

Please tell us which responsibilities outlined in the accompanying job description will be most challenging or even difficult for you to fulfill and why:

Please help us make an informed decision on you as an applicant. What is it that makes you stand apart from other qualified applicants?

Please list your anticipated rate of compensation for this position: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**(applications without this information will not be considered)**

*Thank you for your time and careful consideration in completing this application. Please be assured that we will also take time and careful thought in our consideration.*

**PLEASE READ BEFORE SIGNING:**

I acknowledge the importance of telling the truth on this application and any associated documents (herein "application"). I affirm that all of the information provided by me on this application is true to the best of my knowledge. The information is also not intended to mislead The Corpus Christi Museum of Science and History in any way about my qualifications or background. If I have omitted any information or provided information that is false or misleading, my application will be rejected, and I will not be eligible for employment. In addition, if it is later learned that any information on this application is false or misleading, that I may be subject to discipline up to and including immediate discharge.

I authorize my previous employers, schools, or persons listed as a reference to give any information regarding employment or educational record. I agree that The Corpus Christi Museum of Science and History and my previous employers will not be held liable in any respect if a job offer is not extended, or is withdrawn, or employment is terminated because of false statements, omissions, or answers made by myself on this application. In the event of any employment with this organization, I will comply with all rules and regulations set by the organization in any communication distributed to the employee.

I understand that employment with The Corpus Christi Museum of Science and History is "at will" which means that either this organization, or I may terminate the employment relationship at any time, with or without prior notice.

**Applicant Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_



**DISCLOSURE FOR CONSUMER REPORTS**

In connection with my application for employment (including contract or volunteer services) with CCMSH, I understand consumer reports will be requested by you (“Company”). These reports may include, as allowed by law, the following types of information, as applicable: names and dates of previous employers, work experience, education, accidents, licensure, credit (as allowed by law – where required, you will be presented with additional disclosures), etc. I further understand that such reports may contain public record information such as, but not limited to: my driving record (which will include all or part of the following information: photograph, social security number, driver’s license number, your name, your address and medical or disability information), workers’ compensation claims, judgments, bankruptcy proceedings, evictions, criminal records, etc., from federal, state, and other agencies that maintain such records.

In addition, investigative consumer reports (gathered from personal interviews, as applicable, with former employers or landlords, past or current neighbors and associates of mine, etc.) to gather information regarding my work or tenant performance, character, general reputation and personal characteristics, and mode of living (lifestyle) may be obtained.

If I am hired, I understand that my employer can use this disclosure and authorization to continue to obtain such consumer reports throughout my employment, contract period or volunteer service.

Acknowledged:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Full Name

**AUTHORIZATION**

I hereby authorize procurement of consumer report(s) and investigative consumer report(s) by CCMSH (“Company”) and its consumer reporting agency Intelifi. If hired (or contracted), this authorization shall remain on file and shall serve as ongoing authorization for Company to procure such reports at any time during, as permitted by law, my employment, contract, or volunteer period. I authorize without reservation, any person, business or agency contacted by the consumer reporting agency to furnish the above-mentioned information.

In connection with my application for employment, I direct the following regarding my current employer: (please check one). Yes, my current employer may be contacted \_\_\_\_\_ / No, my current employer cannot be contacted \_\_\_\_\_

I understand that I have rights under the Fair Credit Reporting Act, and I acknowledge receipt of the Summary of Rights \_\_\_\_\_ (initials).

I authorize Company and Agency to use email communication with me to provide me with notices and information regarding any report or use of such report. If I do not have an email address or do not wish to share it, then communication will be by U.S. Mail, which will result in slower communication.

If you have any questions concerning this background screening content, please contact: Intelifi at (888) 409-1819.

Printed Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_; I do not have or want email \_\_\_\_\_  
(Initial)

List mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

For identification purposes:

Social Security No.: \_\_\_\_\_; Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Driver’s License No.: \_\_\_\_\_; State of Issue: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Names Used: \_\_\_\_\_

**INFORMATION REGARDING YOUR RIGHTS**

I understand that I have the right to make a request to the consumer reporting agency: Intelifi (“Agency”), 8730 Wilshire Blvd, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Ste. 412, Beverly Hills, CA 90211, telephone number (888) 409-1819, upon proper identification, to obtain copies of any reports furnished to Company by the Agency and to request the nature and substance of **all information** in its files on me at the time of my request, including the sources of information. The Agency will also disclose the recipients of any such reports on me which the Agency has previously furnished within the two year period for employment requests, and one year for other purposes preceding my request (California three years). I understand that I can dispute, at any time, any information that is inaccurate in any type of report with the Agency. I may view the Agency’s privacy policy at their website: [www.intelifi.com](http://www.intelifi.com).

I understand that if the Company is located in California, Minnesota or Oklahoma, that I have the right to request a copy of any report Company receives on me at the time the report is provided to Company. By checking the following box, I request a copy of all such reports be sent to me.

**Check here:**     

I understand that if I am applying for employment in New York, that I have the right to receive a copy of Article 23-A of the New York Correction Law \_\_\_\_\_(initial if this applies).

I understand that if the report is provided to an employer in the State of Washington, that I can contact the following office for more information regarding my rights under Washington state law in regard to these reports: State of Washington Attorney General, Consumer Protection Division, 800 5<sup>th</sup> Ave, Ste. 2000, Seattle, Washington 98104-3188, (206) 464-7744.

New Hampshire registered drivers: The consent for driving records is valid for only two (2) years and is revocable at any time.

**Personal information** in MVRs means information that identifies you, such as your photograph, social security number, driver’s license number, your name, your address, your telephone number and medical or disability information relating to any license restrictions. **Highly restricted personal information** includes your photograph or image, social security number, medical or disability information relating to any license restrictions. 18 U.S.C. §2725.

Acknowledged:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_  
Date