Pauli Murray Center for History and Social Justice

Seeking Summer 2022 Firebrand Interns

Application Deadline: March 18, 2022 at 11:59 PM EST

“Great art is not a matter of presenting one side or another, but presenting a picture so full of contradictions, tragedies, [and] insights of the period that the impact is at once disturbing and satisfying.”

- Rev. Dr. Pauli Murray

The Pauli Murray Center for History and Social Justice lifts up the life and legacy of activist, legal scholar, feminist, poet, Episcopal priest, and LGBTQ+ community member, the Rev. Dr. Pauli Murray, in order to address enduring inequities and injustices.

The Pauli Murray Center is a National Historic Landmark site anchored by Pauli Murray’s childhood home in Durham, North Carolina. The home stands on its original site, a one-acre plot, in the historically Black working-class West End neighborhood. We are becoming a fully operational, visitor-ready site. Over the next few years, we will completely rehabilitate and create an accessible historic home and education center; build on our robust calendar of workshops, both on the ground and virtually; host community dialogues and invitations to action; and lead creative arts programming.

Internship Overview

The Summer 2022 Firebrands will work closely with the Executive Director (ED) and Program and Communications Coordinator (PCC) to implement digital communication projects and support both virtual and in-person programs that are key to the growth and success of the Pauli Murray Center for History and Social Justice (PMCHSJ). The Firebrands will also work on personal and professional development projects that will be created with guidance from the PCC.

The PMCHSJ will be hiring two summer 2022 interns. The ideal Firebrands have experience with public program support, digital media, video editing, and/or website design. They have strong writing and communication skills and are creative, thorough, and detail-oriented. They are current undergraduate students, or recent college graduates, and have an interest in public history, museums, and social justice.

While the internship tasks are largely remote, we would like one of our interns to live in or near Durham, North Carolina to assist with limited in-person programming.

Time Commitment
Full-time. Four days a week working for the PMCHSJ and one day spent working on personal and professional development projects. May 16, 2021 - July 22, 2022. Stipend of $4000 per intern.

Primary Responsibilities
● Complete orientation materials, including a selection of reading materials by and about the Rev. Dr. Pauli Murray
● Assist with the development and design of digital exhibitions for an oral history project that highlights individuals from the West End neighborhood in Durham, North Carolina
● Support the implementation of the Center’s traveling exhibition on Pauli Murray at the North Carolina Museum of History in Raleigh, North Carolina
● Edit videos to commemorate the 10-year anniversary of the PMCHSJ
● Assist with the coordination of limited in-person events, including 10-year anniversary events and museum programming
● Design timelines on the PMCHSJ’s website to illustrate Pauli Murray’s story and share the PMCHSJ’s history
● Curate and implement a personal and professional development plan
● Attend weekly staff meetings
● Communicate and work with fellow team members
● Other duties as assigned

Preferred Skills & Experience
● Video and photo shooting and editing skills
● Website design skills and experience using Squarespace
● Visual and digital literacy
● Experience with digital storytelling
● Writing and communication skills
● Event planning and support
● Working with a team to accomplish shared goals

Application

To apply, please send info@paulimurraycenter.org:

1) A resume that includes relevant experience
2) A letter of interest that elaborates on your skills and experience
3) Contact information for two references.

The deadline to apply is March 18, 2022. This is a limited-time contract position and not an offer of employment. No benefits accrue to the intern as a part of this program. If you have any questions about the position, please email info@paulimurraycenter.org.

The Pauli Murray Center does not discriminate in any way against an applicant on the basis of race, color, gender, gender identity, or gender expression, ethnicity, religion, mental or physical disability, medical condition, national origin, sexual orientation, age, physical characteristics or marital status or any other
basis. The Pauli Murray Center complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act and applicable state and local laws providing for nondiscrimination in employment against qualified individuals with disabilities.

For more information about the Pauli Murray Center, Rev. Dr. Pauli Murray, and the historic site, please visit our website www.paulimurraycenter.org.