

## **Emerald Bay Outdoor Academy Resident Naturalist**

The Emerald Bay Outdoor Academy is a youth science education program based at Camp Emerald Bay on Catalina Island and operated by the Western Los Angeles County Council, Boy Scouts of America. Our mission is to *inspire the next generation of environmental stewards* through overnight science programs and Educational Outreach Partnerships. Our students come from public, private, charter, and homeschool organizations. We serve students in grades 5<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> every Spring and Fall.

### **Job Information:**

- This is a seasonal position.
  - Spring season is approximately March 23 – June 4, 2022.
- 30 – 40 hours per week.
- Naturalists must reside on-site at Camp Emerald Bay in staff housing. Room and board is provided subject to weekly deductions.
- Naturalists are employed by the Western Los Angeles County Council, Boy Scouts of America.

### **Responsibilities:**

- Provide exceptional customer service to all student and adult chaperone program participants.
- Teach courses for students attending 3, 4, or 5-day overnight outdoor education programs. Instruction includes course and material setup, managing group dynamics, being knowledgeable in content and lesson plans, and managing group safety.
- Course subjects include marine sciences, earth sciences, labs, and activities such as hiking, kayaking, snorkeling, team building, leadership, and stand-up paddle boarding.
- Clean and maintain equipment and course materials.
- Complete lifeguard training (provided for Naturalists who are not already certified) if physically able.
- Lifeguard for Outdoor Academy and other Emerald Bay programs.
- Assist with the general cleanup of camp.
- While all naturalists instruct multiple topics and activities, naturalists may also have the opportunity to specialize in one of the following areas: archery range, retail operations (operate the trading post), community based scientific research, or other areas depending on availability.
- Assist with curriculum development.
- Other duties as assigned in camp may include work projects, providing staff assistance for non-Academy groups such as YMCA weekend groups.

### **Benefits**

- First and last boat ticket to and from Catalina Island are provided.
- Hourly salary is \$17 per hour.
- Residential accommodations and serviced meals subject to a salary deduction.
- Access to world class waterfront.
- Use of facilities and recreational equipment during off hours.
- Training opportunities include American Red Cross with CPR/First Aid/Waterfront component, Paddlesports Safety Facilitator (American Canoe Association), and Catalina Naturalist.



**Qualifications:**

- College degree preferred in environmental or marine sciences, recreation, or related field.
- American Red Cross Lifeguard Certified preferred (training provided if not certified)
- Previous experience working with youth in an outdoor or STEM setting.
- Flexibility as job demands can change quickly.
- Self-starter, able to work independently and in a group.
- Desire to learn and grow professionally and contribute to a growing program.
- Ability to pass background check.

**To Apply:**

- Send Cover Letter and Resume to Program Director [burton.miller@scouting.org](mailto:burton.miller@scouting.org)