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Job Announcement

Apostle Islands National Lakeshore (APIS), located in Northern Wisconsin, will soon be recruiting (~March 2023) a **GS-11 Cultural Resource Specialist (CRS)** to be duty stationed in Bayfield, WI. This interdisciplinary position will soon open federal government-wide to candidates in the GS-0193 (Archeologist) and the GS-0170 (Historian) occupational series. Contact Dave Cooper at 715-209-2379 or Julie Van Stappen at 715-209-2804 if you have questions or would like additional information.



Amazing Job

The CRS leads a dynamic and hands-on program of interdisciplinary cultural resource management. This includes:

- serves as the park's cultural resource subject matter expert, advisor to the management team, and secures funding for cultural resource projects
- partners with non-profit organizations, local tribes, agencies, academia and the public in the preservation of cultural resources
- engages in tribal consultation
- conducts annual archeological field surveys on 21 islands
- conducts cultural landscape treatments (including vegetation management and use of prescribed fire) around lighthouses and other historic structures
- supports the park Facilities Team in historic preservation and landscape maintenance
- manages the park's museum and archival collection
- serves as the park lead on NHPA S106 compliance & SHPO communications
- Routinely operates a boat on Lake Superior in challenging cold-water conditions



Collaborative Interdisciplinary Team

The CRS is a key player in the park's Resource Stewardship Division and will be supervised by a GS-12 Resource Stewardship Director and will supervise a GS-6/7 archeological technician. The park team prides itself on innovation, initiative, and a positive and resourceful organizational culture.

The CRS contributes to an interdisciplinary program of natural and cultural resource management, serving on park planning and environmental review teams, serves as a boat operator on Lake Superior, assists with natural resource fieldwork, and may be tasked with collateral duties in the areas of backcountry management, incident management, search and rescue, and wildland fire.

Dynamic Park

APIS is a unit of the National Park system and contains 21 islands and 14 miles of the Wisconsin coastline of Lake Superior. The islands are spread over a portion of Lake Superior that is nearly 290,000 acres in size - an area larger than Rocky Mountain National Park or Mount Rainier National Park - and are only accessible by boat.

The park is best known for its lighthouses, sea caves, kayaking, and sailing. The park is home to over 5,000 years of human history, from Native peoples to fishermen, loggers, lighthouse keepers and recreationalists. The park's cultural resources include some 150 historic structures including one of the Nation's best-preserved collections of historic lighthouses; as well as over 130 archeological sites; thirteen cultural landscapes; and over 470,000 museum objects, historical photographs, and archival records. It also has among the most diverse coastal features and highest quality wetlands in the Great Lakes, old-growth forest, maritime cliffs and forests, diverse wildlife, and habitat for Federally endangered piping plover and State endangered American marten.

Great Place to Live

The Lakeshore headquarters and duty station is located in Bayfield, Wisconsin, a small lakefront community. The communities of Washburn and Ashland are 12 and 23 miles respectively to the south. The area has wonderful year-round recreational opportunities, from kayaking, sailing, boating and hiking in the summer to downhill and cross-country skiing, snowshoeing and dog-sledding in the winter. Fishing, hunting, and camping opportunities are excellent. Bayfield County has thousands of acres of public lands including national forest, national lakeshore, county forest, and public/private conservancy areas. There is a rich culture and arts community,

including live music “under the tent” at Big Top Chautauqua. Schools (K-12) and health clinics are available near all three communities, with a hospital and specialty care available in Ashland. Northland College, an environmental undergraduate institution, is in Ashland.

Duluth is a major area hub for shopping, regional airport, commercial services, and medical care. The cities of Minneapolis-St. Paul and Madison offer bigger city amenities and are approximately 4 to 5 hours drive from Bayfield.

The local Bayfield climate offers cool summers (50s to 70s, a few days in the 80s) and cold winters (averaging from 20 above to 20 below zero) and averaging around 90” of snow.

Park website: <http://www.nps.gov/apis>

Bayfield Chamber of Commerce website: <http://bayfield.org/>

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