
Erin G. Dempsey

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Professional Experience

Museum of the American Revolution, Philadelphia, PA

Educator, 08/2019 to 03/2019

- Delivered participatory-based gallery tours to elementary, middle, and high school groups as well as classroom add-on lessons
- Fostered inquiry, dialogue, and personal connections for family and adult audiences through in-gallery programming featuring storytelling and object handling

Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, Boston, MA

Von Hess Visitor Learning Intern, 05/2019 to 09/2019

- Managed the museum's volunteer corps alongside Visitor Learning staff - responsibilities included creating daily schedules, facilitating gallery spotlight talk training, and actively communicating with volunteers through e-mail
- Worked to develop, prototype, and evaluate gallery activities for adult audiences focused on encouraging visitor visual thinking skills
- Collaborated with Education Department staff to further develop and produce an updated introductory talk for visitors and personal response prompts for guided tours

The Academy of Natural Sciences of Drexel University, Philadelphia, PA

Museum Galleries Education Intern, 01/2019 to 05/2019

- Worked alongside the Manager of Public Engagement to research, develop, facilitate, and evaluate adult programming with an emphasis on the spring young adult events
- Conducted research on science concepts such as biomimicry in order to develop and facilitate adult programming

Smithsonian American Art Museum, Washington, D.C.

Education Department Intern, 06/2017 to 08/2017

- Aided in the planning and execution of the Summer Institutes for Teachers; focused on teaching the humanities through art by learning and practicing visual thinking strategies and assisting participants in designing lesson plans
- Organized and prepared logistical elements of the professional development conference
- Presented content and pedagogy for several workshop sessions during the Institute

Corning Museum of Glass, Corning, NY

Gallery Guide Team Leader, 06/2012 to 08/2016

- Worked alongside museum volunteers to greet and deliver daily, public guided tours
- Supervised other gallery guides on in-gallery carts including scheduling lunches and breaks
- Coordinated youth tours by assigning gallery guides, creating schedules, and facilitating group check-in and check-out
- Researched and developed tours of the collection for youth, adult, and family audiences
- Stimulated interaction with the collection for museum guests through in-gallery discovery carts

Education

The University of the Arts – Philadelphia, PA
Master of Arts in Museum Education, 2018-2019

Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania - Slippery Rock, PA
Bachelor of Arts in History, 2014-2018, GPA: 4.0
Minors in Art History and Anthropology

Skills

Proficient in Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator, and InDesign

Effective communicator, public speaker, and creative problem solver

Ability to develop and employ evaluation tools including observations, surveys, and interviews

Memberships and Leadership Experience

American Alliance of Museums

Museum Council of Greater Philadelphia

Emerging Arts Leaders: Philadelphia

Slippery Rock University Feminist Majority Leadership Alliance

President, 2017 – 2018; Secretary, 2016-2017

Slippery Rock University Phi Alpha Theta History Honorary Society

Secretary, 2017-2018; Vice President, 2016-2017

Slippery Rock University Archaeology Club

Vice President, 2017-2018; Public Relations Chair, 2016-2017