Dear Interested Youth and Families,

Thank you for your interest in Cincinnati Museum Center Youth Programs! Youth Programs is a youth development program designed for youth ages 13-18. The focus is on career and leadership development, diversity exposure, and professionalism. Once you join our program, we encourage you to participate through your senior year of high school. Much of your time will be spent volunteering in Cincinnati Museum Center in one of our ‘Tracks’; however, you will also have the opportunity to meet new people, prepare for college, go on college tours, and attend summer trips, both within Ohio and across the United States. Our goal is to help you be successful as you move through high school and into your future. We are looking for hard-working, fun-loving, dedicated youth to make our program even better!

Youth will volunteer in one of our ‘Tracks’ throughout Cincinnati Museum Center. The Tracks are: Shows and Interpretations, Community Engagement, Maker Space and Labs, and Gallery Experience. More information on tracks to come.

An application and essay questions are included in the link. Please complete and return forms/signatures by March 1st, 2020. After we receive your completed paperwork, we will call and arrange a tour and an interview. These will begin in March.

As a Youth Program member, you are expected to interact with guests of all ages, interpret the exhibits, facilitate demonstrations, and make the museum an enjoyable interactive experience. You will have the opportunity to attend field trips, increase leadership skills, explore careers, develop job skills, build communication skills, and increase community awareness. To supplement our museum demonstrations, some of our activities include summer trips within Ohio and across the United States. In the past we have been to places such as Florida, New York, Boston, North Carolina, New Orleans, and California. Within our program we also practice résumé writing and interviewing, coordinate college visits, and assist CMC with community events.

As a new youth volunteer, you are required to attend all three New Youth Orientations, MAP Training, Youth Shadowing, and New Youth Placement Track Training. These dates can be found at the end of the application. Once a member of the Youth Program, you must volunteer at least 10 hours minimum a month during the school year and 10-15 hours minimum per week during the summer. In addition, you must attend a mandatory monthly meeting every third Wednesday of each month from 4:00pm-6:00pm called OMNI. After one year of volunteering, accumulating at least 250 hours of participation and meeting a certain attendance percentage, you will be eligible to apply for a paid position.

Cincinnati Museum Center Youth Programs is dedicated to providing educational and enjoyable opportunities for youth. We look forward to meeting you and discussing these opportunities!

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Calvin Harper, Youth Programs Director
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Youth Program Training Dates-Keep This Page for your Records!

Part of the commitment to the Cincinnati Museum Center Youth Program is attendance at All of the trainings outlined below.

**Required Trainings** To be determined
Saturday May 2nd 11:00am-4:00pm [program outline and orientation]
Saturday May 16\textsuperscript{th} 11:00am-4:00pm [program outline and orientation]
Sunday May 17\textsuperscript{th} 12:00pm-5:00pm [program outline and orientation] (Parent/Guardian Information meeting will be from 4:00pm-5:00pm. At least one guardian is required to attend)
June 2\textsuperscript{nd} 11:00am-4:00pm [Museum Ambassadors Training: MAP]
June 5\textsuperscript{th} – July 26\textsuperscript{th} New Youth Shadowing (more information will be given at the first orientation on May 2\textsuperscript{nd})
**August 1\textsuperscript{st}** Official Acceptance into CMC and Track Placement © will not be in person, will send out over email!
**August** New Youth Placement Track Training (more information will be given at the first orientation on May 2\textsuperscript{nd})

**Other Important (And Strongly Encouraged©) Dates: To be determined**
March 20\textsuperscript{th}, 2020 5:45pm-9:00pm, come see what the Museum Center Youth Program is all about! See our current students in action and ask program staff questions! Please RSVP by February 26\textsuperscript{th}.

**June 3\textsuperscript{rd}, 2020 6:00pm-9:00pm** Annual Awards and Recognition Banquet
**July 22\textsuperscript{nd} 8:00am-4:00pm** Leadership Exercise Day (Teambuilding/Field Day)
**TBD Summer Break-All students off (July/August)**
**TBD Hocking Hills Diversity Camp Out (July/August)**
**August 19\textsuperscript{th}** End of the year Cookout
March 20th 2020 from 5:45-9pm
Cincinnati Museum Center
Are you interested in learning about science, history, culture and arts? Would you like to go on a fun, educational and cultural field trips? Would you like to learn job-readiness skills while making new friends?

Youth Programs is a development program for 13-18 years-olds. It’s designed to prepare Youth for college, career and community through museum studies, field trips, college readiness and much more.

Interested in joining Youth Programs?
During out Family Night and Open House at the Cincinnati Museum Center, our Youth will be showing off what they’ve learned with hands-on demonstrations and answering your questions with a Q&A panel for prospective new Youth and their parents.

RSVP by Feb 26th
youthprograms@cincymuseum.org