



Sooke Region Museum

Operated by the Sooke Region Historical Society
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Historical Exhibits Archives Gift Shop Visitor Centre Lighthouse Moss Cottage

Job posting: Exhibits Research Assistant

contract position: 6 Oct 2025 – 27 Mar 2026

hourly wage: \$19.35

37.5 hours/week

deadline to apply: 7 September 2025

The Sooke Region Museum & Visitor Centre is seeking an Exhibits Research Assistant to support the updating of permanent exhibits. The Museum opened in 1977, and as we approach the 50th anniversary, we are planning to update exhibits that have been on display since the 1980s/90s.

The Sooke Region Museum explores the cultural and natural heritage of the region from East Sooke to Port Renfrew, including the municipality of Sooke and unincorporated communities of Otter Point, Shirley and Jordan River on the lands of the T'Sou-ke, Pacheedaht, and Scia'new people. In addition, we are the regional Visitor Centre, providing maps, community information, and details on local attractions, businesses and events. We also have local artisan work and an extensive selection of books about local culture and heritage in our gift shop.

Primary Job Duties

The Intern will work with Museum staff to

- Conduct historical research to inform an update to the exhibits using materials at the Sooke Region Museum as well as external sources
- Identify reliable sources of information to tell stories about local history, cultural and natural heritage
- Develop interpretive themes to focus the exhibits and direct research, interpretation, and presentation
- Identify objects in the current collection that help tell local stories
- Suggest potential techniques, formats, methods of storytelling/display/presentation to convey information in an engaging way
- Identify potential gaps in current collection

Ideal Candidate

Post Secondary student in social sciences; Good computer skills; Excellent research and writing skills; Attention to detail; Creativity and Solutions-based thinking, resourceful; Comfortable working independently and in a team.

Experience in a museum, library or archives setting is an asset.

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The Sooke Region Museum & Visitor Centre is committed to equity, diversity, inclusion, access, and reconciliation and an open and transparent hiring process. We encourage and welcome all applications from women and gender nonconforming people, people of colour, Indigenous Peoples, people with disabilities, peoples of all sexual orientations, and all others.

To be considered for this position funded by Young Canada Works, candidates must:

- be a Canadian citizen or a permanent resident, or have refugee status in Canada;
- be legally entitled to work in Canada (have a valid social insurance number);
- be between 16 and 30 years of age inclusively at the start of employment;
- be a graduate from college, CEGEP or university; and
- be registered in the YCW online candidate inventory.

Note: Priority will be given to graduates that have not previously participated in YCW internship programs and that are unemployed or underemployed.

Please submit your resume and cover letter by midnight 7 September 2025 to:

By mail to: Sooke Region Museum, Box 774, Sooke, BC V9Z 1H7 ;

By hand: 2070 Phillips Rd., Sooke, BC ;

By email: director@sookeregionmuseum.ca

Please contact us if you need alternative formats for the application process.

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