



North House Folk School Volunteer Program

Linking Community Service and Traditional Craft

Our mission to inspire the hands, heart, and mind through teaching traditional Northern crafts comes alive through many behind the scenes tasks. Volunteers have always been at the center of helping North House function through lending a hand on projects of all sizes. Whether you are a local looking for a fun way to give back to your community or a visitor joining us for a special event and wanting to pitch in, you are welcome and needed here.

HOW IT WORKS

The volunteer program is structured around these ideas:

1. Volunteering should be fun! Our volunteer opportunities are often social and involve many hands pitching in to make busy work go quickly. Tasks that we need to have happen on a very regular basis for our functioning as an organization are generally offered as Work-Study instead of Volunteering. See our website or ask for more info on Work-Study.
2. Anyone may sign up to be a volunteer. Currently our Volunteer opportunities are mainly during the day, which we realize may limit volunteers with work commitments. For those individuals, volunteering at a special event or at our annual Volunteer and Service Learning weekend may be the best option.
3. Many of our volunteer roles can be completed sitting, with minimal physical exertion. If you are concerned about mobility or physical tasks, let us know and we can work together to find the best volunteer roles for you.
4. We appreciate you! By definition, volunteering is giving time and energy to something for no monetary gain. So why do it? As our volunteers will tell you, they help out because it's a great way to be a part of the North House community, and because it feels good to work for something you believe in. No matter how much or little time you have to give, we are so glad you want to take part in supporting North House's mission.

Becoming a Volunteer

To inquire about upcoming opportunities to volunteer, please contact Program Manager Sarah Waddle (see contact info below). Volunteering opportunities are announced via our Volunteer E-newsletter, which you can sign up to receive at northhouse.org/about-us/newsletter.

Special Skills

Do you have a special skill you think could benefit North House? You want to donate your time to do something you think we may need? Let us know! Drop us a line (see contact below).

MORE INFORMATION

Inquiries are welcome anytime. Please contact Program Manager Sarah Waddle at swaddle@northhouse.org or call 218.387.9762.