

Ambassador Reenactor Program

Position Description:

Hale Farm is pleased to recruit reenactors who are excited to interact with guests during the Civil War Weekend. This is a special opportunity to be an active part of our weekend programming and schedule!

Ambassador Reenactors Will:

- *Engage* with the visiting public regarding Civil War camp life, soldier's experiences, and related topics.
- *Assist* Hale Farm in presenting an educational, engaging, and interpretively balanced event by upholding the organization's standards of **quality, accuracy, and public engagement**.
- *Represent* the Reenactor Community through their special programming, featured in all Event Programs, Maps, and other materials to ensure guests know how, when, and where to engage with Ambassadors.

We ask that anyone interested in sharing a **special skill or interpretation** *outside of the typical Civil War encampment experience of soldiers and their immediate families*, please fill out an *Ambassador* application with additional details. This would include any kind of **historic service provider, first person presentations, or special interest groups**. Not every special interpretation will require an official 'Ambassador' designation, but we do ask for the application to be filed for review!

Details & Deadlines:

- *Ambassador Benefits*: FREE registration & included rations; designation within the event program!
- 20 Ambassador positions open for 2024
- DEADLINE TO APPLY: Wed., July 3rd
 - *Approvals confirmed by Friday, July 19th*

PLEASE NOTE: During the event weekend, if you set up a special interpretive camp or site but have not filled out an application and been approved, Hale Farm & Village reserves the right to ask you to refrain from specific interpretations, or to leave the event. If you are asked to leave, refunds will NOT be given for registration fees.

If you are unsure if you may fall into "special interpretation" please ask! Questions may be directed to Julie Moretuzzo, Associate Director of Public Programming at jmoretuzzo@wrhs.org, 330-666-3711, extension 1719.

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A few examples of positions we are hoping to recruit Ambassadors to fill:

- **Civil War Communications** | Have a special interest in how soldiers and units communicated with flags or through telegrams? We would love to help you host an interactive demonstration with the public.
- **Camp Cooking** | Ambassadors receive free rations, let us know if you want to share your love of Civil War era cooking with the public!
- **Interactive Camp Tour** | Invite guests to stop by your weekend home for a short time each day and explain your set-up and daily routine.
- **Civil War Medicine** | Share your knowledge—join us for a pop-up talk or as an ongoing campsite presentation on the medicine and care soldiers and civilians received.

AMBASSADOR REENACTOR APPLICATION

BASIC INFORMATION & CONTACT

Full Name:

Preferred Phone Number:

Email:

Reenactor Affiliation:

PLEASE CIRCLE:

Military OR Civilian

Federal OR Confederate

Associated Unit # and Parent Organization:

Other Affiliation (Please Describe):

INTERPRETATION/ PROGRAM INTEREST & SKILLS

Please check all that apply:

AVAILABLE & INTERESTED IN PRESENTING:

Saturday, Aug. 10:

Sunday, Aug. 11:

SKILLS/INTERESTS:

- Campfire cooking and/or Civil War era food-ways talks and demonstrations.
- Musical instruments/ singing/ entertainment & leisure history.
- Period Fashion/ Military Uniforms
- Medicine & Disease (at home or in camp.)
- Period communication & technology (IE: flag signaling, codes, telegraphs, etc.)
- Daily life skills demonstrations (IE: penmanship, sewing, etc. Please specify:)

- Special Topic (Please specific your topic and credentials:)

PROGRAM FORMAT:

- Timed Talk, Performance, or Demonstration (included in Program Schedule, could take place as a one-off, or repeated during weekend.)
- Ongoing demonstration--all day, or within a set window (IE: 11am-1pm)
- Engaging the public within my campsite (IE: interactive camp tours, a look at a soldier's uniform and pack, meet & greet in camp, etc.)

BIO & CREDENTIALS

Tell us more about you!

Please provide a brief bio: include your educational and professional background; your experience with and research into your skills/interests

What about your topics(s) engages you—and why do you think the public should learn more about it? Do you have a specific program idea or format in mind?