

**Volunteer Job Description**  
Rookery Bay NERR Volunteer Program

**Job Title:** Exhibit Interpreter

**Supervisor(s):** Program Coordinator

**Location:** Rookery Bay Learning Center

**Project Duration:** Ongoing: hours/week 4      hours/month 20

**Description of Duties:**

Assist visitors to enhance their experience and learning of Rookery Bay. Included duties:

- Greet and welcome visitors, promote general well being of visitors
- Gather and expand knowledge of exhibits to embellish learning experiences
- Answer questions and orient guests to the facility and other topics of interest
- Explain to visitors and groups, historical aspects of Rookery Bay NERR and the surrounding area
- Lead 30 minute tours of the facility giving an overview of the exhibits and background of the Reserve and it's mission
- Maintain the area in a tidy, operational manner including some exhibit troubleshooting, cleaning and maintenance
- Other various job duties as directed by ELC management and associated with ELC interpretation

**Benefits to volunteer:**

- Expand your knowledge of local history and environmental ecosystems related to the Reserve
- Interaction with visitors form all walks of life
- Satisfaction of educating the public about the importance of the Reserve and the resources it protects
- Interaction with Reserve staff and development of working relationships.

**Goal/Outcomes of Job:**

- Provide accurate, efficient, and courteous interpretive services to visitors

**Knowledge/ Skills/Experience Desired:**

- Knowledge of local history, wildlife, and coastal habitats helpful
- Friendly and willing attitude in engaging visitors in conversation, answering of questions, and offering of information
- General speaking skills that include clarity, enunciation, and sufficient volume to speak to a group with good listening skills

**Special Requirements:**

The training program for this position is self guided but time intensive. Please be prepared to work independently to expand your knowledge. Completion of the Coastal Systems module of the Florida Master Naturalist Program is strongly encouraged.