

Docent Training at Locust Grove

Locust Grove is seeking friendly volunteers with a passion for history to tell our story to guests at special events and beyond. Docents are volunteers who give guided tours of the historic house and outbuildings. Once candidates are accepted into the program, they will complete a training course that will include shadowing 3-5 tours and three evening class sessions before taking their final test to be cleared for duty as a docent eligible to work special events and give guided tours as needed.

A special event usually falls on a weekend and is typically split into two shifts per day with volunteers working one shift per day. Volunteers are free to take full advantage of the event either before or after their shift. Docents are stationed around the house to answer questions and provide information on the history of the site as guests move through the house at their own pace.

Fall 2019 Training Schedule

Thursday, August 29 : Open Information Meeting followed by interviews | 6:30 pm
Please RSVP to Brian Cushing at bcushing@locustgrove.org by August 27.

Tuesday, September 3, 6:30 pm: Interviews

Required classes:

Tuesday, September 10: First Training Class | 6:30 pm

Tuesday, September 17: Second Training Class | 6:30 pm

Tuesday, September 24: Third Training Class | 6:30 pm

Tuesday, October 8: Final Wrap-Up Session | 6:30 pm

Wednesday, October 23: Deadline for final test tour

Special Event Shadowing Opportunities

Saturday, September 7: Observe station tours at Fall on the Farm
Please RSVP to Brian Cushing at bcushing@locustgrove.org by September 4.

Sunday, September 29 : Observe station tours at Antiques Market
Please RSVP to Brian Cushing at bcushing@locustgrove.org by May 7.

Shadowing Opportunities for Drop-in tours: Mondays through Saturdays, 10:30 am – 3:30 pm | Sundays 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm

Please make an appointment with Brian Cushing at bcushing@locustgrove.org three days prior to your chosen date.

Remaining 2019 Special Events

18th Century Market Fair — October 26 & 27 | Christmastide — December 7