



SUMMER STAFF POSITIONS IN THE ADIRONDACKS at Great Camp Santanoni

Adirondack Architectural Heritage (AARCH) announces the availability of three summer staff/advanced intern positions at Great Camp Santanoni in 2024. Camp Santanoni is a National Historic Landmark, located in the Adirondack Forest Preserve and in the Essex County town of Newcomb. AARCH manages Camp Santanoni in cooperation with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) and with significant support from the Town of Newcomb. These positions are a partnership between AARCH and the Town of Newcomb.

Camp Santanoni is located within the Santanoni Historic Area and consists of: a Main Camp complex, a collection of rustic buildings situated on secluded Newcomb Lake; a Gate Lodge complex at the entrance to the preserve; and an early 20th century model farm. Building of this great camp began in 1892 for Robert and Anna Pruyn of Albany. In its time Camp Santanoni was the largest of the Adirondack Great Camps and hosted Theodore Roosevelt, among other prominent guests. After New York State acquired the site in 1972 and added it to the Adirondack Forest Preserve, Santanoni sat vacant and neglected for more than 20 years with an uncertain fate. In 2000, New York State created the Camp Santanoni Historic Area, committing to use the site for public educational and recreational purposes. Since then, more than \$2 million in conservation work has been completed and thousands visit annually.

AARCH has supported the preservation of Camp Santanoni since its founding in 1990. Since 1991, we have hosted summer interns working at the great camp, interpreting Camp Santanoni for the public and completing hands-on preservation projects.

Job responsibilities:

- Interaction with public visitors, including site explanation and interpretation through daily tours of the site. This includes the Gate Lodge, accessible from Route 28N; the Farm Complex, a one-mile walk/bike into the complex; the Main Lodge Complex, a five-mile walk/bike each direction.
- Participating in ongoing restoration work. This includes staining, painting, window reglazing, and other discrete conservation projects.
- Operating a small visitor's center at the Gate Lodge, including signage and maintaining inventory.
- Developing programs and exhibits for ongoing site interpretation.



Position requirements:

- Applicants must be upper-level undergraduate, graduate, or post-graduate level and studying/have studied historic preservation, history, or a related field in college or graduate school.
- Independently motivated who works well in a small team environment.
- Physically able to travel daily walking or cycling on an uneven carriage road between the Gate Lodge and Main Camp (5 miles each direction). **This job requires travel 5 miles each direction by foot or bicycle on a path through the woods in all weather.**
- Ability to work in adverse weather conditions.
- Able to lift relatively large and heavy objects, alone or with assistance, such as wooden window sash.
- Comfort working outdoors all day in a rustic wilderness environment.

Position details:

- Employment dates are June 10-August 10, 2024 with flexible end dates as needed.
- Each position receives a \$500/week with housing provided.
- Staff will work 37.5 hours over a 5-day workweek.
- All staff will reside at the Gate Lodge, a communal living situation with private bedrooms, a shared hall bathroom, a full kitchen and common living spaces. The Gate Lodge is located directly off NYS Route 28N and the center of Newcomb.
- Summer staff will be supervised by the AARCH Executive Director and their team, with support from the Town of Newcomb and regular interaction with the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation.
- Additional information about Camp Santanoni and AARCH is available at www.aarch.org.

To apply:

- Submit a cover letter and resume to Erin Tobin, Executive Director, Adirondack Architectural Heritage, via email to erin@aarch.org. In the cover letter, please outline your qualifications specific to the job responsibilities and position requirements.
- Application deadline: **March 11, 2024**