

Native American Site Steward

Trailside Museums & Zoo Bear Mountain State Park

Please complete this form and submit to: Trailside Museums & Zoo, ATTN: Native American Site Steward Program, Bear Mountain State Park, P. O. Box 427, Bear Mountain, NY 10911-0427 or email to chris.osullivan@parks.ny.gov

We will be in touch with you. All Volunteers are required to complete a Native American Site Steward permit and NYS Parks Volunteer Service Agreement every calendar year. For anyone under 18, a parent or guardian needs to sign.

Volunteer stewards are vital to protection of Native American sites in the NYS Parks of the Palisades Regions. Site stewards are trained and assigned sites to monitor for looting and other violations against these cultural resources of the First Peoples of the region and New York State. Stewards hike to their sites at least twice each year.

In the late fall to early winter, we email or mail the Site Steward permit and Volunteer Service Agreement to all Site Stewards. Please complete it promptly and return it by mail or email. The approved permit is REQUIRED for each year, and you may not go to sites until we have received and sent you the approved permit. You will also receive a Parking Permit for the calendar year. You must display the Site Steward Permit and Parking Permit on your dashboard whenever you are doing Site Steward work.

Early each year, we invite volunteers from several of our groups to join with staff at an annual Volunteer Potluck.

*DATE:			
*NAME:		HOME PHONE:	
*ADDRESS:		*CELL PHONE:	
*CITY, STATE, ZIP		<u>Please do check your emails.</u> It is the most convenient way for us to communicate with volunteers.	
*EMAIL Write carefully.			

*Required. Provide home phone number if no cell phone.

HAVE YOU HIKED OR PLAN TO HIKE IN HARRIMAN/ BEAR MOUNTAIN STATE PARKS?
WHAT LENGTH OF HIKES DO YOU LIKE TO TAKE?
ARE YOU COMFORTABLE HIKING OFF TRAIL?
IT IS NOT REQUIRED, BUT DO YOU HAVE A GPS OR A SMART PHONE?

Trailside will provide documentation of volunteer service and other paperwork as appropriate for retirees, students, etc.

If you reside in Rockland County and are a retired senior citizen, you might explore joining the Rockland County Retired Volunteer Program. You may be eligible for getting compensation for your volunteer mileage. To learn more, visit <http://rocklandgov.com/departments/aging/volunteer-opportunities/> or call 845-364-2120.