**Assistant Curator**

**Job Announcement**

Historic Deerfield seeks a dynamic, full-time Assistant Curator whose primary responsibility will be to provide energetic and creative leadership in researching, interpreting, exhibiting, and growing one of the finest collections of New England furniture in the United States. Additional expertise in another area of American fine or decorative arts (such as paintings and works on paper) is a plus.

The museum's furniture holdings (more than 2400 objects) are particularly significant in Connecticut River Valley and Eastern Massachusetts furniture, ranging from the late 17th century to the early 20th century. Additional comparison pieces from The George Alfred Cluett Collection of American Furniture and Clocks greatly enhance the museum’s ability to interpret coastal, urban centers such as Boston, Salem, Newport, New York, and Philadelphia. Founders Helen and Henry Flynt originally assembled the collection of high-style and vernacular furniture with an eye toward furnishing a dozen historic houses along a mile-long street in Old Deerfield. The collection continues to evolve and grow, telling new narratives of the people who called this region home.

The Assistant Curator will develop, care, and present the furniture collection, with shared corollary responsibilities for other collection areas. The position is responsible for changing exhibitions in the Flynt Center of Early New England Life and the historic house museums; overseeing the display, installation, and interpretation of furniture in the museum’s 18th-and 19th-century historic houses; conducting scholarly research leading to presentations, workshops, programs, and publications for diverse audiences; and participating in the shared daily tasks and responsibilities of the Curatorial Department.

A master’s degree in a relevant field (art history, history, material culture, design history, etc.) is required. At least two years of hands-on museum experience (full-time/part time positions, fellowships, or internships) working with American furniture and decorative arts is desired. This is a full-time, benefited position with an annual salary range of $50,000 – $55,000. The Assistant Curator reports to the Curatorial Department Director. Historic Deerfield is also an affiliated member of Five Colleges, Inc., and is a part of the Museums10 network.

A detailed job description can be found here: https://www.historic-
deerfield.org/employment.

To apply: please submit a cover letter, resume or CV, and the names of three references to Betsy McKee, Assistant to the President, jobs@historic-deerfield.org. Review of applications will begin on August 11, 2025, and continue until the position is filled.

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