



## The Whale Museum Volunteer Questionnaire

Here at The Whale Museum, we rely on volunteers to accomplish our mission to ***promote stewardship of whales and the Salish Sea ecosystem through education and research***. Volunteers are a key aspect of everything we do. Whether you have volunteered with us before or are joining for the first time, we are grateful for your support, and do our best to show our appreciation with benefits like:

- Free admission
- 10% discount in the Museum's store

Take a look at our list of programs— you'll see there's something here for everyone!

### **Docent**

Interact with people from around the world, handle museum artifacts, and play a key role in educating and promoting stewardship in our visitors! Staff the exhibits, lead tours, or run the Touch Table. *For: lifelong learners and people who love people. No prior experience needed. Training in museum content and public speaking provided. Those with basic knowledge of the Salish Sea preferred.*

### **Soundwatch Volunteer**

Protect killer whales and other marine mammals by educating boaters about protective guidelines and behavior. *For: the resilient and observant. No prior experience needed; boating experience a plus. Must be 16 or older. Training provided. Needed May-Oct. Minimum 3 full days a summer asked.*

### **Stranding Network Volunteer**

Investigate live and dead stranded marine mammals in the field, collect data, and participate in harassment mitigation, public education, and necropsies. *For: the resilient and science lovers. No prior experience needed; boating and animal handling experience a plus. Includes scheduled training sessions. Majority Jun-Sept but needed all year. 3+ month commitment preferred. Mailing list available for those interested.*

### **Sightings Network Volunteer**

Enter sightings of marine mammals throughout the Salish Sea to help us keep track of long-term distribution and habitat trends. *For: the detail-oriented and computer literate. No prior experience needed; experience with Microsoft Access a plus.*

### **Orca Adoption Volunteer**

Compile and send informational packets about resident orcas to raise funds for ongoing research. *For: the organized and computer literate. No prior experience needed.*

### **Marine Naturalist Training Volunteer**

Assist with Marine Naturalist training, including lectures, field trips, and hands-on learning. *For: the organized and friendly. Must have completed the course.*

### **Pod Nod Sleepovers Volunteer**

See the museum after hours and supervise education sleepovers for children; includes art and science projects and a flashlight tour of the exhibits. *For: the patient and people who love kids. No prior experience necessary. Needed summer only.*

### **Lime Kiln Point State Park Volunteer**

Introduce people to the best land-based whale watching in the world and educate about the hydrophones and research conducted at the Park. *For: lifelong learners and people who love people. No prior experience needed. Training in exhibit content and public speaking provided.*

### **Museum Library and Collections Volunteer**

Participate in the ongoing effort to catalog and digitize the museum's library and collection. *For: the computer literate and detail-oriented. No prior experience needed.*

## Volunteer's Contact Information

Date	
Name	
Email	
Phone	
Mailing Address	
City, State, Zipcode	

## Relationship to The Whale Museum

Have you ever or are you currently volunteering with The Whale Museum?    Yes    No

In what capacity? \_\_\_\_\_

Dates volunteered: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about The Whale Museum? \_\_\_\_\_

## Availability

Is there a specific number of hours you wish to volunteer?    Yes    No    Hours desired: \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate which months you are available to volunteer (circle all that apply):

*January February March April May June July August September October November December*

About how many days a week to do you want to volunteer? \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate which days of the week you are available to volunteer:

*Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday*

Please indicate which parts of the day you are available to volunteer (circle all that apply):

*Morning Midday Afternoon Evening*

Please indicate under which conditions you prefer to volunteer (circle all that apply):

*Indoor Outdoor Sitting Standing*

## Interests

Which program are you interested in? (Circle all that apply)

*Soundwatch*

*Pod Nod Sleepovers*

*Stranding Network*

*Docent*

*Sightings Network*

*Lime Kiln Point State Park*

*Orca Adoption Program*

*Museum Library and Collections*

*Marine Naturalist Training*

*Questionnaire continues on next page.*

## Previous Experience

Skills/Experience (Mark all that apply):

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|---|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Admin/Clerical         | <input type="checkbox"/> Evaluation/Data       | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Speaking        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Anthropology           | <input type="checkbox"/> Collection/Entry      | <input type="checkbox"/> Research               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Audio/Visual           | <input type="checkbox"/> Events Planning       | <input type="checkbox"/> Scanning/Digitizing    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Collections            | <input type="checkbox"/> Graphics              | <input type="checkbox"/> Social Media/Marketing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Management             | <input type="checkbox"/> Historic Preservation | <input type="checkbox"/> Teaching/ Education    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Construction           | <input type="checkbox"/> Marine Biology        | <input type="checkbox"/> Technology (please     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Skills/Facility        | <input type="checkbox"/> Natural History       | specify):_____                                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Maintenance            | <input type="checkbox"/> Photography           | <input type="checkbox"/> Veterinary             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Customer Service       | <input type="checkbox"/> Proficiency in        | Medicine/Experience                             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Early Childhood        | language(s) besides                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Writing/Editing        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Education              | English (which):                               | <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Programs         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Interest | _____  | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____           |

## Emergency Contact

Name	
Relationship to Volunteer	
Phone	

## Parent/Guardian Signature

If under 18, a parent or guardian must sign the application form.

I give permission for the above minor to volunteer at The Whale Museum.

Parent/Guardian Signature	
Date	
Name (printed)	
Phone Number	
Email Address	