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Date: June 2026

Title: Assistant Registrar for Collections

Department: Registration Department

Position Reports To: Registrar

Status: Non-exempt / Full-time

Salary: \$40,000 - \$45,000

Summary: The Assistant Registrar for Collections assists with the care and maintenance of the Center's permanent collection objects, objects on loan to the Center, and objects taken in on temporary custody. Under the direction of the Registrar, the Assistant Registrar for Collections performs registration functions related to the above, following current and best museum practices in support of the Center's Collection Management Policy and Mission.

Job Duties:

- Process and catalog new acquisitions, including assigning and affixing numbers, cataloging, and condition reporting.
- Facilitate deaccessions proposed by Curators, including research of proposed items, disposition of items and maintaining catalog records to reflect deaccessioning.
- Manage the Center's Emergency preparedness plan for collections, maintain emergency response kits and develop and carry out training on collections emergency preparedness for Center staff.
- Manage the art for the Buffalo Bill Art Show and Sale, including receiving, unpacking, and tracking objects, in conjunction with the Cody Chamber of Commerce.
- Coordinate annual inventories of Permanent Collection and loans in conjunction with curators and other Registration staff members.
- Process incoming loans: photograph and condition objects, enter data into database, alert Conservator of any condition concerns/issues.
- Assist with loan and traveling exhibit logistics under the direction of the Registrar, including condition reports, packing and shipping arrangements, managing object checklists.
- Assist with the creation and management of collections records and documentation, both physical and digital.
- Coordinate project-specific collections data entry and data cleanup projects in the Center's collections management database, currently Argus. Provide data entry assistance to Center staff.
- Maintain an integrated pest management program.
- Supervise and work as team lead for unpacking, and packing of objects.
- Move objects to and from storage as required, utilizing the highest standards of art handling procedures.
- Understand and help enforce the Center's Collection Management Policy and Procedures.
- Occasionally act as courier to accompany exhibitions and loans.
- Propose new and innovative storage solutions for objects stored in vaults, and design and produce appropriate mounts for stored objects.
- General administrative duties: filing, copying, running errands, general data entry.



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- Keep appraised of approved and current registrarial and collection management standards and basic conservation guidelines for the care and handling of museum objects.
- Understand key registration processes and complete acquisition and loan paperwork in the absence of the Registrar.

Competencies:

- Experience working in a registration or collections management position.
- Experience using complex collections database applications, Argus preferred.
- Demonstrated knowledge of principles and procedures of registration and collection management.
- Understanding of proper documentation for acquisitions and loans.
- Excellent organizational, writing, proofreading, and analytical skills, with close attention to detail.
- Excellent communication skills and ability to work in a team environment.
- Ability to travel domestically and internationally.
- Ability to reach, bend, stoop, and occasionally lift up to 50 pounds.

Supervisory Responsibilities:

- Occasional interns and volunteers

Required Education and Experience:

- A Master's degree in museum studies or a related field is preferred. A Bachelor's degree from accredited college or university, with coursework in museum studies, art, art history, history, or related field, is required.
- A minimum of two years museum registration or collections management experience is preferred.

Other Duties:

- Please note this job description is not designed to cover or contain a comprehensive listing of activities, duties, or responsibilities that are required of the employee for this job. Duties, responsibilities, and activities may change at any time with or without notice.

EEO Statement:

- Buffalo Bill Center of the West provides equal employment opportunities to all employees and applicants for employment without regard to race, color, ancestry, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, marital status, religion, age, disability, gender identity, results of genetic testing, or service in the military. Equal employment opportunity applies to all terms and conditions of employment, including hiring, placement, promotion, termination, layoff, recall, transfer, leave of absence, compensation, and training.

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POSITION ANALYSIS/SPECIFICATIONS

	<i>N/A</i>	<i>OCCASIONAL</i>	<i>FREQUENT</i>	<i>CONSTANT</i>
Sitting			X	
Standing			X	
Walking			X	
Bending Over			X	
Crawling		X		
Reaching			X	
Crouching		X		
Kneeling		X		
Balancing		X		
Pushing/Pulling			X	
Lifting/Carrying			X	
10lbs or less				
11lbs to 25lbs		X		
26lbs to 50lbs		X		
51lbs to 70lbs	X			
Manual Dexterity			X	
Fine Motor Skills			X	
Gross Motor Skills			X	
Eye/Hand Coord.			X	
Near Vision			X	
Far Vision			X	
Color Recognition			X	
Hearing			X	

ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS

	<i>YES</i>	<i>NO</i>	<i>Limited</i>
Working Outside			X
Working Inside	X		
Working Alone	X		
Working Closely with Others	X		
Excessive Cold/Heat		X	
Excessive Humidity/Dampness		X	
Noise/Vibrations			X
Working with Chemicals/Detergents/Cleaners			X
Working Around Fumes/Smoke/Gas			X
Walking on Uneven Surfaces			X
Motorized Equipment or Vehicles		X	
Working with Machinery/Motorized Equip.		X	
Climbing on Scaffolds or ladders			X