

Paintings Conservator at West Lake Conservators

Skaneateles, NY 13152

West Lake Conservators, a mixed-specialty group practice, is currently seeking a competent, passionate Paintings Conservator. We provide comprehensive preservation services for paintings, frames, murals, paper, painted objects, and textiles.

The Paintings Conservator will be responsible for the effective and appropriate treatment of painted objects of historic and cultural significance from all periods, including contemporary works and murals. They will examine and assess the condition of objects, conduct technical examination and analyses, consult and collaborate with other conservators, curators, and other staff as necessary during examination, treatment, or research. All duties will be performed in accordance with the AIC Code of Ethics and Guidelines for Practice. Independent research and contributions to our field are encouraged.

Candidates must have a graduate level degree in conservation, or equivalent knowledge and abilities. A professional AIC standing or willingness to apply for PA or Fellow is preferred. Salary is commensurate with experience and productivity.

General Requirements

- Knowledge of preventive conservation practices relating to the care of historic and modern collections.
- Knowledge of modern museum practices, for the care of collections, including environmental control and monitoring, safe handling, display, storage, framing, crating, and shipping.
- Experience preparing and presenting reports, lectures, publications and seminars relating to conservation.
- US citizenship or Green Card; fluent in spoken and written English
- Physical strength to lift large and heavy artworks; ability to travel
- Strong interpersonal skills

West Lake Conservators

Established in 1975 in paintings we have evolved with a staff of 8-12 operating in roughly 4000 square feet. Clients from the private and non-profit sectors, include numerous surrounding colleges and universities as well as small to mid-sized museums and historic sites. We have a national reputation for our mural treatments, research in painting lining supports and disaster recovery contributions. Our outreach and community participation initiatives include educational workshops, seminars and collection management services.

West Lake Conservators is located in Skaneateles, New York, a picturesque historic town in the Finger Lakes of Central NYS with an excellent school system, beautiful lake, annual music festival, terrific YMCA and relaxed life style.

Applicants

Salary is commensurate with qualifications and benefits are offered. The position is available immediately. Please email application materials to principals, susan@westlakeconservators.com and margie@westlakeconservators.com for further details. When applying, include your résumé with a letter of interest that outlines career goals and describes conservation specialties.

Visit our web site www.westlakeconservators.com to learn more about us.