



Wilderness Programs Steward

Rippleffect is seeking individuals who have experience working with youth in an outdoor education setting to join the operations team.

Rippleffect is a non profit youth and community development organization operating outdoor leadership adventure programming out of Portland, Maine. We own Cow Island, and run many of our youth and adult programs from our 26 acre island campus. Serving over 4,000 youth annually, we have a summer day and overnight camp program, year-round wilderness treks, youth leadership programs and spring and fall orientation programs for school and community groups.

The Rippleffect Wilderness Programs Steward is a member of an integrated team that supports Rippleffects adventure and experiential education programming on Cow Island. The Operations team is a group of dedicated staff that includes the Operations Director, Operations Assistant, Boat Captains, Stewards and Volunteers. The Wilderness Programs Steward is the direct assistant of the Wilderness Programs Coordinator. This position directly supports all expedition programming on Cow Island. This position has these primary areas of responsibility.

1. Maintaining integrity of Rippleffect Expedition Equipment. Assuring equipment and gear is clean, ready for use and well maintained. Gear storage areas are clean and organized.
2. Preparing expedition pack out and pack in procedures for gear and food for Rippleffect expedition programs. Ensuring that every group leaving and returning to Cow Island via kayaks has a clear gear and food issue and de-issue plan.
3. Ensure Rippleffect guides are supported with well maintained kayaks and associated equipment. Maintain systems to support this.
4. Assist the Wilderness Programs Coordinator with the preparation of expedition food and the management of the Expedition food pantry.
5. Support all other operations staff in maintaining integrity of Island infrastructure systems.
6. Occasional support and maintenance and care of cow island- our 26 acre eco-campus, including but not limited to: mowing, trail maintenance, care and cleaning of our composting toilet facilities.

Minimum Qualifications:

- Current CPR and First Aid Certification
- Positive Attitude
- Experience maintaining outdoor recreation equipment, specifically: kayaks, stoves and tents

- Ability to multitask
- Strong attention to detail
- Self Starter
- Autonomous work ethic
- Ability to lift 50+ pounds regularly
- High School Diploma

Timing:

Rippleffects Island season runs from June to October with July/August as the busiest months. Shoulder season work is scheduled as needed based on programmatic needs. Expect to be full time mid June through September.

Compensation: \$125 Per day

Contact: Tony Alves, Operations Director- tony@rippleeffect.net

To Apply:

Send resume, cover letter, and three references to tony@rippleeffect.net