



Cultivate and Preserve the Quilting Arts in Virginia

Exhibitions Intern

Internship Dates: January 5 to May 1, 2027 (flexible)

Application Deadline: November 15, 2026

10 hours per week (flexible)

Stipend of \$600

On-site in Dayton, VA

The Virginia Quilt Museum seeks an intern to assist with exhibition planning, development, installation, and interpretation. VQM is located in the historic Silver Lake Mill in Dayton, Virginia and is 5 miles from James Madison University, 4 miles from Bridgewater College, and 7 miles from Eastern Mennonite University.

The internship will focus on the development and presentation of exhibitions featuring quilts and related objects. The intern will assist with planning and preparing a summer exhibition highlighting 6–8 quilts from the museum's permanent collection. Additional projects may include researching objects and artists, drafting exhibition labels and interpretive materials, organizing exhibition documentation, preparing floor plans, assisting with installation and deinstallation, and supporting the development of other upcoming exhibitions. The intern will gain insight into the exhibition process, from initial planning and object selection to installation and interpretation.

The selected intern will work under the supervision of VQM Curator Kate Read and will work both independently and alongside museum staff and volunteers. This internship is well suited for students interested in museums, art history, history, museum studies, or exhibition design. Strong organizational and communication skills, attention to detail, and an interest in visual storytelling and presenting museum collections to the public are valuable. Previous museum experience is welcome but not required.

To apply, please send a brief cover letter and resume to curator@vaquiltmuseum.org by November 15, 2026 with the subject line **Exhibitions Internship**.