

## *Position Available*

# *Park Ranger & Kayaker*

## **Boston Harbor Islands**

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### **LOCATION**

The Boston Harbor Islands—A *national park area*, includes 34 islands and peninsulas located in Boston Harbor. The islands are managed by a unique 13 member partnership including the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR), and other public and private organizations. Boston Harbor and the islands are rich in natural and cultural resources and offer recreational and educational experiences to day-use and overnight camping visitors.

### **RESPONSIBILITIES**

Provide on-island visitor services: preparing and conducting public programs on the natural and cultural history of the islands for park patrons that facilitate connections between patrons and resource meanings; provide orientation and informal interpretation; operate island campground; staff special events and functions. Protect park resources and promote compliance by visitors with park rules, regulations, and safety concerns while staffing/ patrolling park areas; perform light maintenance and other duties as directed. In addition: plan and lead kayaking outings for inexperienced/experienced kayakers on Boston Harbor several times a week; adhere to risk management procedures; review basics of near-coastal kayaking and water safety with patrons.

### **QUALIFICATIONS**

Applicants should be highly motivated, safety conscious and responsible individuals; have the ability to design and deliver interpretive and recreational programs to the general public and communicate orally; have two years of work towards or completed a related degree or two years of full or part time experience that supports the responsibilities of this position. First Aid/CPR certification required. Possess experience that reflects competency of kayak maneuvering, strokes, and simple rescues on lakes or near coastal waters. Be in excellent health to be able to swim, and endure hours of walking/kayaking. Possess ability to lift and move 50lbs alone and up to 150lbs assisted. Preferred Qualifications: passed the ACA Coastal Kayak Open Water Skills or Coastal Kayak Trip-Leading Skills Assessment courses

### **EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION**

Most positions start in early to mid May or June and end in early September or mid October. Most Rangers live on-island. There are limited opportunities to commute, depending on position or operational need. Rangers work either a five-day-on/two-day-off, or ten-day-on/four-day-off schedule including weekends and holidays. On-island housing ranges from dormitory to camping style with limited utilities and may include rotation among DCR islands. Off-island housing is not provided. DCR Ranger uniforms and training are provided. Salary is \$592.04/week; employees are paid bi-weekly. Benefits may be available for long-term positions.

### **TO APPLY**

Please send a cover letter, resume, and DCR **Seasonal** Employment Application form (available at [www.mass.gov/dcr/employment.htm](http://www.mass.gov/dcr/employment.htm) or by contacting DCR at 617-626-1250) to:

Attn: Claudia Gomez  
DCR Bureau of Ranger Services  
251 Causeway Street, Suite 800  
Boston, MA 02114  
RE: RANGER & KAYAKER –BHI

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**Application Deadline is March 5, 2010**

*(Applications will be accepted until all positions are filled)*

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