

VOLUNTEER POSITION DESCRIPTION

Position Title	Saturday Stories Volunteer
Purpose	Volunteers read aloud to groups of preschool and elementary aged children to inspire and instill the value of life long learning and enjoyment of reading. Emphasis is on animated and dramatic reading presentations.
Department	Children's Library
Position Location	Dove Library or Cole Library (Volunteer would be asked to commit to one location only.)
Contact (to apply for Library volunteer position)	Amy Bennett, Volunteer Coordinator, Carlsbad City Library abenn@ci.carlsbad.ca.us 760-436-2877
Description of Duties	Reading aloud to groups of young children with an emphasis on very animated and fun presentations. Volunteers read pre-selected children's books on Saturday mornings. Reading includes songs and finger plays.
Qualifications Needed	Enjoyment of books, children's literature and reading aloud to large groups small children. Upbeat, energetic, enthusiastic, and animated personality. Experience with performance arts, reading to or teaching preschoolers. Must able to manage groups of pre-school aged children. Good written and oral communication skills. Ability to follow guidelines and directions independently. Ability to stand for 15-30 minutes and lift 20 pounds. Volunteer applicants must be at least 18 years of age. A background check (Livescan fingerprinting) is required for this position. *This position requires a second interview which allows the applicants to demonstrate their dramatic story telling ability.
Time Commitment	Commitment to one Saturday morning per month. Approximately 1 hour starting at 10:00 or 10:30 depending on location. Cole stories begin at 10:30 a.m. Dove stories begin at 11:00 a.m.

Training & Support

Volunteer Supervisor	Dove Library: Julie Conklin 760-602 2051 jconk@ci.carlsbad.ca.us Cole Library: Missy Shaw 760-434-2986 mshaw@ci.carlsbad.ca.us (Once assigned, this is the contact for training, supervision and scheduling.)
Training Provided	Training to be arranged with Volunteer Supervisor. Observation of other Saturday Stories Volunteers. As part of your training Children's staff will provide feedback to help you with your story telling success.
Equipment	Pre-selected books and story props.

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