External Announcement – Internship Opportunity

**Internship Title:** Penitente Materials Cataloging Internship  
**Internship Location:** Virtual/Remote

**Stipend:** $1,000. The stipend is not salary or compensation. The stipend is meant to support study and research during the tenure of the appointment. *Qualified candidates may receive academic credit through their college or university.*

**Apply By:** 5pm Mountain Time 1/20/2023

History Colorado is committed to anti-racism practices across its institution and outlined in these grounding virtues. As such, we encourage members of Black, Indigenous, People of Color (BIPOC) LGBTQ+ and persons with disabilities communities to apply for this internship.

**Desired Schedule:** 5 hours/week (January 30 - May 5, 2023)

**Broad Scope of Position:** As one of the steps in part of a consultative process, this position will be cataloging sensitive photographic materials from the Fred M. Mazzulla Collection related to the Penitente and religious materials. The Mazzulla Collection contains approximately 107,000 items and 253 linear feet that document the American West from the late 19th to mid-20th century. The Penitente materials are from Southern Colorado and Northern New Mexico and date from the late 1890s to the 1960s. The Internship project involves cataloging Penitente and other religious/cultural material. During the course of the internship the intern:

- Will be working with culturally sensitive topics, such as Penitente material, that will require respect and patience.
- Will be introduced to a collaborative and co-authored description process where the museum is not the community expert or authority.
- Will learn about aspects of identity and authorship as it refers to underrepresented and/or traditionally marginalized communities.

Outcomes: This internship will provide the student or recent graduate with valuable on-the-job training. Students will participate in a significant museum access project that will introduce them to cataloging as part of a bigger grant project working with a large collection. The nature of the material will also introduce them to how museums work with, consult, collaboratively interpret, and access/use sensitive material.

**Desired Skills & Academic Field of Study:** Undergraduate student, recent graduate, Master’s student or recent Master’s graduate with focus in History, Art History, Anthropology, Library Science, Museum Studies or related fields.

- Ability to follow directions well
- Strong computer skills
Familiarity with working with a scanner and spreadsheets

**To Apply for this Position:** Submit a resume and your answer to the question below to Director of Volunteer Engagement Emily Dobish, emily.dobish@state.co.us.

As a response to the national protests regarding systemic injustice, History Colorado staff came together to discuss as an institutional community the ways in which History Colorado can advance the work of anti-racism. These Grounding Virtues are the result of our collective process.


Answer this question: How have these guiding principles shown up in your previous work and/or how would you contribute to these virtues in your internship position at History Colorado?

**Vaccine Verification & Safety Procedures:**

All interns who do their service on site (at any of our History Colorado locations) are required to send verification of vaccination (no vaccination records will be shared with anyone outside of the HR staff and records will be kept securely in the HR office). Verification will be a part of the onboarding process.

**A condition of employment is the successful completion of a background check.**