



# ART OF THE STATE DOCENT TOURS



The State Museum of Pennsylvania

PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMISSION

*Art of the State* is an annual juried state-wide exhibition that has been showcasing the work of Pennsylvania artists at The State Museum of Pennsylvania since 1968. The body of art that has been exhibited reflects over a half-century of creative endeavor in the Keystone State. Through the years, Pennsylvania artists have shared their ideas and engaged viewers in the categories of painting, photography, craft, sculpture, and work on paper. As a volunteer in *Art of the State*, you have the unique opportunity to introduce visitors to Pennsylvania's most prestigious juried art exhibition while interacting with visitors and featured artists! *Art of the State* will open Sunday, September 10, 2023 and will be on display until Sunday, January 7, 2024.

## TIME FRAME

Art Docent Training scheduled for Thursday, August 17 10:30am to 12:00pm

Wednesday - Sunday • 2-hour shifts to provide tours inside the exhibit

## QUALIFICATIONS

Be welcoming and engaging

Interact with visitors of all ages and backgrounds

Strong communication skills

Passion to learn about art

Commitment to facilitating positive museum experiences

## DUTIES

Provide tours inside the gallery

Answer questions

Maintain an art docent notebook

Track visitation numbers

Monitor the gallery

## EXPECTATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS

Must be a registered State Museum Volunteer and pass required background checks

Must be 18 years or older

Attend all required training sessions

Complete at least 20 hours of volunteer service during the Art of the State 2023 exhibition

Ability to stand for periods of time

Be familiar and follow all museum policies and emergency procedures

How to Apply

Contact us at [ra-phsmopvolunteers@pa.gov](mailto:ra-phsmopvolunteers@pa.gov) or (717) 346-3307