

# HARTMAN ROCK - GARDEN

## SUMMER INTERNSHIP IN SPRINGFIELD, OHIO

### DESCRIPTION:

The Hartman Rock Garden is offering a paid internship this summer to students enrolled in undergraduate or graduate programs who wish to gain professional experience in the fields of art history, history, and museum studies. This intern will work alongside Kevin Rose, Executive Director and Curator. Tasks will include interpreting art objects for public tours and programs, research and writing for online publications, engaging with visitors on site, inventorying and surveying objects in the collection, and basic hands-on conservation. The internship runs from roughly June 1 to July 31, totaling approximately 185 hours over 8 weeks. Interns are expected to work on Tuesdays and Thursdays, as well as a few select Saturdays. Remaining hours are flexible and based on the student's schedule. A \$2000 stipend will be awarded at the completion of the internship.

### ABOUT THE HARTMAN ROCK GARDEN:

The Hartman Rock Garden, located at 1905 Russell Avenue in Springfield, Ohio, is a nationally recognized visionary art environment by self-taught artist Ben Hartman. Ben drew inspiration from family and friends, as well as from magazines, books, radio, and film. This was a deeply personal space, meant to promote his ideals and values to the larger world. He constructed every object by hand between 1932 and 1944 using concrete, metal, glass, stone, wood, and whatever else he could find. The site is open to the public for free every day from dawn to dusk, welcoming approximately 15,000 visitors from around the globe each year.

### REQUIREMENTS:

- Undergraduate or graduate student at an accredited college or university, or students who have graduated within the past twelve months
- A focus or interest in History, Art History, Conservation, Museum Studies, or a related field
- Students are generally expected to have an overall G.P.A. of 3.0 or its equivalent.

### PREFERRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES:

- Basic knowledge of American History
- Ability to conduct basic research at local libraries and archives after a brief training
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team
- Ability to work with hands and basic tools in an outdoor setting
- Standard computer skills and ability to learn new technologies

### HOW TO APPLY:

Submit a cover letter, resume, two references (names and email addresses only), and a writing sample from your collegiate work by Friday, April 11, 2025 to:

Kevin Rose (Executive Director & Curator) at [kevin@hartmanrocks.org](mailto:kevin@hartmanrocks.org)

All applicants will be notified of our decision by Friday, April 18.