

Messinger Woods Internships

We are now accepting applications for our 2011 summer season. Please read the information below and print out the application and mail it to us as soon as possible. You will be contacted for an interview.

About Messinger Woods:

Messinger Woods is a fully functioning hospital that cares for sick, injured and orphaned wildlife. Our "busy season" begins in May and runs through September. This is the time when we receive a steady stream of animals in need. The types of animals vary from year to year, so each season is different from the previous one. Our interns begin with basic skills and progress depending upon their ability. Students with backgrounds in biology, wildlife management, veterinary medicine, vet technician or environmental education fields would be most suited for this internship. We do, however, accept applications from any background.

Basic Duties:

- Cleaning and general animal husbandry
- Feeding and preparation of animal diets
- Caring for a variety of sick, injured and orphaned wildlife that are admitted to the hospital

Qualifications:

- Interest in working with and learning about wildlife
- Must be motivated and have a strong work ethic
- Can work independently, as well as part of a team
- Must be in good physical health
- Wildlife rehabilitation experience is helpful but not required

Length of Internships:

Our hospital is open from June 1st through the end of August. Internships can be for a period of 8-12 weeks, depending upon the individual needs.

Transportation:

We are located in the rural town of Holland, NY. Interns are expected to provide their own transportation to and from the facility each day.

Work Hours:

Interns are expected to be on time and prepared to work their entire shift for the duration of their internship. We rely heavily on the volunteers and interns to care for the large numbers of animals that come in during the busy season. The welfare of our animals depends on this.

Messinger Woods Internship Application

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

I am interested in:

Full- time 9:30 am to 3:30pm Full- time 3:30pm to 9:30pm

Part- time mornings Part- time afternoons

Days of the week you will be available (please choose one):

Monday-Friday Tuesday-Saturday Sunday-Thursday

Is this a requirement for a school: ___yes___no

If yes, name of institution _____ (if you have specific school requirements/paperwork please be prepared to present these at the interview)

Please briefly describe why you would like to be an intern at Messinger Woods. Tell us what your interests are and how this internship will help with your career plans and what attributes you have that you feel will benefit the success of our upcoming season.

Please return completed application to address below:

Messinger Woods Wildlife Care and Education Center

PO Box 508

Orchard Park, NY 14127