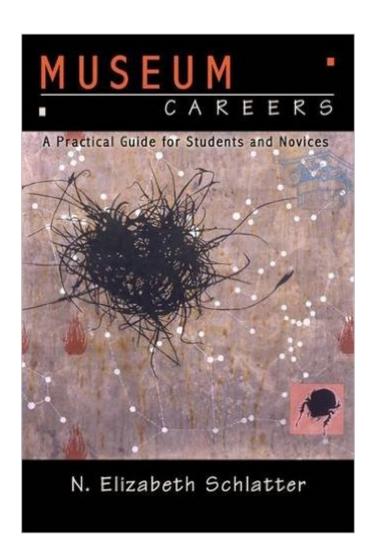
The book was found

Museum Careers: A Practical Guide For Students And Novices





Synopsis

This concise volume is the place to start for anyone considering a career in museums. Museum professional and author N. Elizabeth Schlatter outlines the nature of the profession as a whole, the rewards and challenges of museum work, types of museums, and jobs within museums, including salary ranges. She discusses options for education and training, and offers suggestions on how to secure a job and move up the career ladder. Interviews with museum professionals from a variety of disciplines and backgrounds demonstrate different career paths and offer unique and helpful advice. For novices in the field, students in museum studies programs, or anyone considering museums as a career choice, Schlatterâ TMs book is an essential starting point.

Book Information

Paperback: 184 pages

Publisher: Routledge (January 17, 2009)

Language: English

ISBN-10: 159874044X

ISBN-13: 978-1598740448

Product Dimensions: 6 x 0.6 x 9 inches

Shipping Weight: 6.4 ounces (View shipping rates and policies)

Average Customer Review: 5.0 out of 5 stars Â See all reviews (3 customer reviews)

Best Sellers Rank: #798,097 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #163 in Books > Business &

Money > Industries > Museums #288 in Books > Arts & Photography > Business of Art #324

in Books > Politics & Social Sciences > Social Sciences > Museum Studies & Museology

Customer Reviews

Museum Careers: A Practical Guide for Students and Novices by N. Elizabeth Schlatter covers just about every aspect of the field, ranging from the reasons to choose a museum career (and the potential drawbacks) to practical advice and resources for job seekers. This book is written in a casual, friendly tone that captures the reader from the beginning. It is both engaging and chock full of useful information that you will need when launching your museum career. Museum Careers is divided into three parts: Museum Work, Museum Jobs, and Preparing For and Gaining Museum Employment. Chapters include Museum Trends Affecting Employment, Finding and Applying for Jobs, and Professional Development and Career Growth, as well as detailed chapters explaining a wide variety of museum positions. Schlatter begins with an explanation of why she chose museum work, which she calls "an altruistic yet selfish calling." People become museum professionals for a

host of reasons, including a love of objects or museums themselves, an opportunity for lifelong learning, or an engaging and creative work environment. The drawbacks are well-known in the field, and Schlatter does not shy away from telling it like it is. The first obstacle is, of course, the notoriously low salary. It is important to realize that the benefits of museum work almost never include a fat paycheck, but life isn't all about money. The workload is often heavy, with mandatory overtime at after hours events and programs. In a post 9/11 economy, many museums have had to cut back to balance budgets, which translates into fewer staff members performing more duties. I was glad to see Schlatter mention the geographic limitations of museum work as another drawback.

Download to continue reading...

Museum Careers: A Practical Guide for Students and Novices The Kitchen Counter Cooking School: How A Few Simple Lessons Transformed Nine Culinary Novices into Fearless Home Cooks Touring, Trekking, and Traveling Green: Careers in Ecotourism (Green-Collar Careers) Careers in Fitness and Personal Training (Careers in the New Economy) Cool Careers Without College for People Who Love to Cook & Eat (New Cool Careers Without College) Careers in Computer Gaming (Cutting-Edge Careers) Careers for Puzzle Solvers & Other Methodical Thinkers (Careers For Series) Great Careers in 2 Years, 2nd Edition: The Associate Degree Option (Great Careers in 2 Years: The Associate Degree Option) Museums: A Place to Work: Planning Museum Careers (Heritage: Care-Preservation-Management) The "C" Students Guide to Scholarships: A Creative Guide to Finding Scholarships When Your Grades Suck and Your Parents are Broke! (Peterson's C Students Guide to Scholarships) Recoding the Museum: Digital Heritage and the Technologies of Change (Museum Meanings) Best Pictures of Paris: Top Tourist Attractions Including the Eiffel Tower, Louvre Museum, Notre Dame Cathedral, Sacre-Coeur Basilica, Arc de Triomphe, the Pantheon, Orsay Museum, City Hall and More. How the Sphinx Got to the Museum (How the . . . Got to the Museum) How the Dinosaur Got to the Museum (How the . . . Got to the Museum) Museum Making: Narratives, Architectures, Exhibitions (Museum Meanings) The Educational Role of the Museum (Leicester Readers in Museum Studies) Fitzwilliam Museum, Cambridge: Catalogue of Casts in the Museum of Classical Archaeology (Classic Reprint) The Case of the Missing Museum Archives (Museum Mysteries) The K&W Guide to Colleges for Students with Learning Differences, 13th Edition: 353 Schools with Programs or Services for Students with ADHD, ASD, or Learning Disabilities (College Admissions Guides) The Harvard Business School Guide to Careers in the Nonprofit Sector (A Harvard Business School Career Guide)

Dmca