

JOB TITLE: Digitization Technician, Publications

**LOCATION:** History Center - 345 W Kellogg Blvd., St. Paul, MN 55102

**COMPENSATION:** \$20.34 hourly minimum

**STATUS & HOURS:** Full-time, project (approximately 2,080 annual hours) position through June 30,

2024. The position will be extended beyond the end date if funding is available.

**BENEFITS:** Eligible to participate in State Employee Group Insurance Program and a

retirement program with employer contribution. Generous vacation and sick time

accruals with additional paid holidays.

**DESIGNATION:** Bargaining Unit AFSCME Local 3173

**POSTING DATE:** December 13, 2023

**DEADLINE DATE:** January 5, 2024

**TO APPLY:** Interested applicants must apply online at the Minnesota Historical Society's career

center at www.mnhs.org/jobs and include a resume and cover letter by the

application deadline date.

**DESCRIPTION:** This position exists to perform digitization activities to fulfill project requests and to expand preservation of and online access to the publications collections, primarily newspaper and serials.

**SUMMARY OF WORK:** 1) Digitize selected publications from the MNHS collections or from external partners; 2) Process digital files for online access and preservation; and 3) Assist with administrative tasks related to digitization program.

## **MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:**

- High school degree or equivalent.
- Two years digitization experience.
- Hands-on experience with digital imaging, scanners, related procedures/techniques, standards, and best practices.
- Computer skills, specifically Google Apps including Drive, Docs, and Sheets.
- Physical ability to regularly lift, maneuver and carry storage containers weighing 40 pounds as well as oversize materials.
- Physical tolerance to dust, mold and other airborne materials.
- Ability to stand for a minimum of two hours at a time.
- Ability to sit, kneel, crouch, reach, bend, and to push loaded carts.
- Ability to use a keyboard and work at a computer for extended periods of time.
- Strong verbal, written, and interpersonal communications skills.
- Flexibility and willingness to shift priorities according to current needs.
- Ability to meet challenging deadlines and work within complex workflows while carefully handling unique, old, and fragile materials.
- Demonstrated ability to work independently, efficiently, and accurately and to ask questions as appropriate.

## **DESIRED QUALIFICATIONS:**

- Experience with a variety of digitization equipment such as flat-bed, sheet-feed, camera based, large-format, overhead, and microfilm scanners.
- Experience with digitization software.
- Experience in digitization quality control procedures.
- Experience recording and tracking productivity metrics and progress.
- Hands-on experience with calibration of scanning equipment to ensure capture of best images, including willingness to troubleshoot as necessary.
- Knowledge and understanding of sustainable processing practices and collection-level digitization strategies.
- Willingness and ability to travel on occasion.
- Valid driver's license.

Should you have questions with the application process, email humanresources@mnhs.org or call MNHS Job Line at 651-259-3181.

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