



Carr House Community Society is seeking a Heritage Interpreter. This is a Young Canada Works in Heritage Organizations Summer Position (35 hours per week, May 19 to August 30, 2026, \$19 per hour). Candidates must meet Young Canada Works eligibility requirements included below.

Carr House Community Society (CHCS) operates Emily Carr House, the provincial and national historic site where Canadian artist and author Emily Carr was born and raised. The site is in on the traditional territories of the Lək̓ʷəŋən speaking people in Victoria BC. CHCS staff and volunteers offer guided tours, public programs, and events to share the life and legacy of Emily Carr and encourage visitors to explore their own creativity.

Heritage Interpreters greet and engage visitors to Carr House by welcoming visitors to the site, answering questions, processing donations and gift shop sales, and inviting visitors to join one of our three daily guided tours. Heritage Interpreters lead guided tours, sharing engaging stories about the life of Emily Carr and her family as well as information about the preservation of the house. In addition to the daily operations of the site, Heritage Interpreters will plan, research, and prepare a new educational program for Carr House.

This is an exciting opportunity for candidates interested in exploring a career in heritage, museums, education, or tourism. The position suits a candidate who enjoys working with people, presenting to the public, and conducting historical research. The successful candidate must display enthusiasm for learning and sharing, particularly about heritage and community, and possess strong sensitivity to, and respect for, diversity, inclusivity, and reconciliation.

Required Skills and Experience:

- Education, interest, or life experience in history, heritage, tourism or education
- Customer service or public speaking experience
- Strong written and verbal communication skills (English essential, a second language is an asset)
- Ability to adapt to visitors' needs and interests, and to respond to questions thoughtfully and respectfully
- Knowledge, or keen interest, in heritage preservation, Victoria and BC history, First Nations communities, and/or the life and work of Emily Carr
- Ability to work weekends and occasional evenings
- Ability to work independently as well as closely with others
- Experience working in a museum or heritage site is an asset

35 hours per week

Wage: \$19 per hour

Contract Length: May 19 to August 30 2026

To apply: Submit a cover letter and resume to carrhouse@telus.net with “YCW HO summer position” in the subject line.

Application Deadline: Monday April 20, 2026

Please note the following before applying for this position:

Carr House is a historic building with accessibility limitations. The Heritage Interpreter will lead tours of the house including the building’s second floor accessed by a set of stairs.

Young Canada Works (YCW) in Heritage Organizations (YCWHO) is an employment program for students.

Who can apply

A student may be eligible for employment if they:

- are a Canadian citizen or a permanent resident, or have refugee status in Canada (non-Canadians holding temporary work visas or awaiting permanent resident status are not eligible);
- are legally entitled to work in Canada (have a valid social insurance number);
- are between 16 and 30 years of age inclusively at the start of employment; and
- are a high school, college, CEGEP or university student.

Note: Priority will be given to people who self-identify as youth facing barriers to employment. This includes but is not limited to people belonging to one of the Government of Canada’s identified equity groups including Indigenous, BIPOC, New Canadians, and LGBTQ+.

We thank all applicants for their interest. However, only those candidates selected for interviews will be contacted.