

CITY OF LOS ANGELES
DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND PARKS
PARK RANGER DIVISION
4730 Crystal Springs Dr., Los Angeles, CA 90027
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RECREATION INSTRUCTOR
Park Ranger Mounted Unit

HOURS AVAILABLE

Approximately 20 hours per week (typically five hours per day, four days per week)
Hours may vary due to special events or seasonal schedules

DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES

Cares for horses assigned to the Los Angeles Park Ranger Mounted unit and serves as primary trainer for both horses and personnel assigned to the unit. Under the supervision of a Senior Park Ranger, recreation instructor is responsible for the exercising, feeding, watering, grooming, and basic medical needs of Division horses. Contacts veterinarian for necessary medical visits, arranges for shoeing, care and maintenance of bridled gear, saddles, and other equipment. Conducts ongoing training of horses, monitors their behavior, and makes necessary corrections. Trains new employees in the above tasks and provides ongoing training to all unit personnel. Prepares horses and riders for special events, interpretive presentations, and patrols of City parks.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Two years of full-time paid experience or equivalent in the care and maintenance of equines
- Possession of Valid California Driver's License

Knowledge of:

- Common minor ailments, diseases and injuries of horses and application of basic equine first aid
- Techniques and hazards for handling and training
- Equine nutritional needs
- Hazards of working with large animals and corresponding effective safety principles and practices
- Techniques of training, instructing, and evaluating personnel

Ability to:

- Maintain facility in a neat and appropriate manner
- Observe and detect changes in the conditions of horses which may indicate illness or which affect the well-being of horses
- Handle and prepare equines for field details
- Lift saddles, tack, and other items necessary for the care and use of equines
- Drive a truck with horse trailer and transport equines to and from field events
- Ride horses on routine patrols and at special events
- Interact tactfully and professionally with the public
- Make presentations and provide information to school, youth, and other groups
- Prepare reports and keep operational records
- Act as a lead worker on matters related to equine care and training

TO APPLY: Send resume to:
C/O Sr. Park Ranger Adam Dedeaux
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LAST DAY TO APPLY: October 1, 2021