

## **Job Description: Special Events & Donor Relations Specialist**

<b>Title:</b>	<b>Special Events &amp; Donor Relations Specialist</b>
<b>Department:</b>	<b>Development</b>
<b>Date:</b>	<b>Spring 2022</b>
<b>Position Reports To:</b>	<b>Director of Development</b>
<b>Status:</b>	<b>Exempt / Full-time</b>

**Summary:** Under the direction of the Director of Development, plan and implement events intended to steward existing members and donors, and/or introduce potential prospects to the Center.

### **Job Duties:**

- Center staff lead for Rendezvous Royale, interfacing and planning with partners and contractors.
- Manage the Center's signature gala, Patrons Ball, working with staff and community volunteers.
- Identify prospects and solicit sponsorships for Patrons Ball; other events as directed.
- Coordinating with the Development office, assist Trustees and Advisors in developing and planning off-site member and donor relations events.
- Assist the Development office in creating "touchpoints" to steward members and donors year-round, and implementing of same when required.
- Effectively work with Center staff, both in development and other departments, to ensure efficient and excellent events.
- Manage all aspects of Center-sponsored Development events, including but not limited to budgeting and timely invoicing, guest lists, invitations, registration and payment processing, menus, set-up, seating arrangements, volunteer recruitment and training, logistics, and post-event debrief.
- Use Center databases such as Raiser's Edge and other applicable Center software as directed, and within established processes for accounting, event set-up, and other logistical details.
- Develop and implement event templates, checklists, and other organizational devices.
- Coordinate social events occurring during Center Board of Trustee meetings.
- Occasional evening and weekend work and travel.

### **Competencies:**

- Ability to bring a high level of professionalism to event design and management.
- Highly organized and detail-oriented.
- Analytical thinker and solutions-oriented when challenges arise.
- Self-motivated and tactful.
- Demonstrates good judgment.
- Ability to juggle multiple priorities and meet deadlines with flexibility.
- Ability to build and successfully work within relationships with Center colleagues, Board members and Advisors, high level volunteer leadership, vendors, and event volunteers.
- Projects a professional and mature image; articulate, personable, and projects confidence and competence, even in intimidating situations.
- Sense of humor.

**Supervisory Responsibilities:**

- No direct reports, however, works closely with volunteers in carrying out these duties, and will need to direct staff, vendors, and volunteers in some situations.

**Required Education and Experience:**

- Four-year college degree.
- Experience in high-end event planning preferred.
- Skilled in Microsoft Office products, specifically Word and Excel.
- Understanding of database usage such as queries and report generation.
- Experience working in a professional environment.
- Non-profit experience preferred.

**EEO Statement:**

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**Other Duties:**

Please note this job description is not designed to cover or contain a comprehensive listing of activities, duties, or responsibilities that are required of the employee for this job. Duties, responsibilities, and activities may change at any time with or without notice.

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### Position Analysis/Specifications

	<i>N/A</i>	<i>OCCASIONAL</i>	<i>FREQUENT</i>	<i>CONSTANT</i>
Sitting			X	
Standing			X	
Walking		X		
Bending Over		X		
Crawling		X		
Reaching		X		
Crouching		X		
Kneeling		X		
Balancing		X		
Pushing/Pulling		X		
Lifting/Carrying				
10 lbs or less			X	
11 lbs to 25 lbs		X		
26 lbs to 50 lbs		X		
51 lbs to 70 lbs	X			
Manual Dexterity			X	
Fine Motor Skills			X	
Gross Motor Skills		X		
Eye/Hand Coord.			X	
Near Vision				X
Far Vision				X
Color Recognition			X	
Hearing				X

### Environmental Factors

	<i>YES</i>	<i>NO</i>	<i>Limited</i>
Working Outside	X		
Working Inside	X		
Working Alone	X		
Working Closely with Others	X		
Excessive Cold/Heat		X	
Excessive Humidity/Dampness		X	
Noise/Vibrations			X
Working with Chemicals/Detergents/Cleaners			X
Working Around Fumes/Smoke/Gas		X	
Walking on Uneven Surfaces	X		
Motorized Equipment or Vehicles	X		
Working with Machinery/Motorized Equip.			X
Climbing on Scaffolds or Ladders	X		