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# **Toronto Railway Museum**

# **Curator, Toronto, ON**

Type: Full-time, salaried

**Salary**: \$65,000 - \$70,000 + Benefits **Location**: Hybrid (Downtown Toronto)

Start Date: June 1, 2025

#### **About Us:**

Located in the heart of downtown Toronto, the Toronto Railway Museum (TRM) is at the intersection of history, culture, and innovation. Situated across from iconic landmarks like the CN Tower, Ripley's Aquarium, and Union Station, over 2 million visitors view the museum's outdoor displays in Roundhouse Park every year. Our mission is to bring the story of Toronto's rich railway and transit legacy to life, while engaging our community with hands-on, immersive experiences. Now we're looking for a dynamic Curator to take our museum to the next level!

#### Your Role:

As our Curator, you will play a key role in transforming the visitor experience by overseeing the development of captivating exhibitions, managing our world-class collections, and ensuring the museum's legacy lives on for future generations. Reporting directly to the Executive Director, you'll be the go-to expert for Toronto's railway and transit history, connecting our stories to the world. Whether you're designing new exhibits or curating the artifacts that tell our city's transit story, your creativity and passion for history will shine through in everything you do.

### What You'll Be Doing:

# **Exhibitions & Storytelling**

- Lead the creation of engaging and innovative exhibits that captivate visitors and bring Toronto's railway history to life.
- Work alongside a talented team to develop an exhibit plan that's fresh, dynamic, and responds to current cultural conversations.
- Collaborate on interactive and digital displays that bring the past into the present, making history accessible to everyone.
- Conduct research and share Toronto's transit story with the public through publications, lectures, and exciting programs.

# **Curatorial Leadership**

- Develop and enhance the museum's permanent collection, curating important artifacts and overseeing acquisitions.
- Build relationships with donors, collectors, and institutions across the globe to enhance the Museum's offerings and reputation.
- Oversee the collections care and maintenance, ensuring artifacts are preserved for future generations to enjoy.
- Represent the Museum at the national and international level, enhancing our visibility and partnerships.

## **Community Engagement & Administration**

- Manage and inspire a team of staff, volunteers, and interns, providing leadership in curatorial and collections projects.
- Collaborate with our Visitor Services team to create meaningful experiences that connect with our diverse audience.
- Support fundraising and grant-writing efforts, ensuring the continued growth of the Museum's collections and programs.
- Oversee the budget and logistics for curatorial projects, making sure everything runs smoothly and on schedule.

## What We're Looking For:

- A degree in a relevant field (Museum Studies, History, Engineering, Urban Planning, etc.) with professional experience in curating and exhibitions.
- 2+ years of curatorial experience, with a passion for transportation history and the ability to engage visitors in a meaningful way.
- A love for storytelling, whether through exhibits, lectures, or programs.
- Bilingualism (English/French) is a huge asset, as we create exhibits in both official languages.
- A valid driver's license, as you'll need to visit collection storage locations in the greater Toronto area.
- A passion for creating immersive experiences, along with the ability to lift 25 lbs and work with tall objects.
- Strong writing, speaking, and public engagement skills that make history come alive!

#### Why Join Us?

At TRM, you'll be part of an exciting and growing team that's working to redefine what a museum can be. You'll get to contribute to a cultural institution that attracts visitors from around the world, and you'll have the opportunity to lead in a space that values innovation, community, and impact. We encourage applicants from all backgrounds to apply.

#### How to Apply:

Submit your C.V., cover letter, and examples of your curatorial work to hr@trha.ca by **April 1**, **2025**.

**A note on accessibility**: The Toronto Railway Museum is committed to making the hiring process accessible. If you require accommodations, please let us know!