



2010 Production Apprentice Program

The Program:

The Production department of the Film Festival “builds” the many theatre and special event venues used during the Festival as well as other infrastructure and Festival sites. Production Apprentices (PAs) help set-up, operate, and break down Festival sites. This entails a variety of tasks such as working with tools, painting, cleaning, unpacking, lifting, packing and inventory. We have offered this program for many years and find some PAs return to Telluride to work in different capacities year after year because they find the experience so rewarding.

To qualify, PAs must be able to commit to six weeks of work. PAs must arrive ready to report to work on Monday, August 2nd by 8AM and work through Friday, September 10th, 2010 by 5PM. During the Festival (September 3-6), Production Apprentices shift roles and work in some operational area of the Festival. Like other volunteers, Production Apprentices are not compensated monetarily during the 4-day Festival itself, but receive a Festival pass in exchange for time working during the Festival weekend.

Working as a Production Apprentice Requires:

- Must be 21 years of age in order to apply.
- US citizens must have in-hand non-expired ID as required by the IRS.
- Non-US citizens must have a current green card and/or proof of permission to work in the United States.
- Being a PA requires stamina, dedication, energy, resourcefulness and a team spirit. Most of the tasks associated with working as a PA are physical & strenuous activities. PAs must be able to stand for 8 hours/day.

The Festival Provides:

- Compensation: Pay is the CO State minimum wage for a 40-hour work week while working for the Production department.
- Lodging - usually in condos with shared rooms.
- Production Apprentices will also receive a pass package including a staff pass for admission to the Festival events and venues, plus Festival memorabilia.

Travel Requirement:

PAs are responsible for their own transportation to/from Telluride. If you are flying to the Telluride area, please investigate fares before you apply, as they can be expensive and may affect your ability to participate.

How to Apply:

Note: Applications and accompanying materials can be sent as email attachments or by post.

- Complete and return the application form.
- Please submit a digital headshot of yourself in jpg format (used for your Film Festival pass). If mailing, include a passport-sized photograph.
- Resume, with references. Note a background check will be done on all selected apprentices.
- A single page essay describing why you want to work as a Production Apprentice for the Telluride Film Festival.
- For non-US Citizens, please provide a copy of your current green card or proof of eligibility to work in the US.
- Deadline for receiving complete applications is Monday April, 12th with decisions being made by the end of May.

Please Send the Required Application Materials to:

acmeproduction@telluridefilmfestival.org *or via post at* Telluride Film Festival, P.O. Box 181, Telluride, CO 81435

