

Houston Institute for Culture

Camp Dos Cabezas

Volunteer Description

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Camp Dos Cabezas is seeking volunteers to participate in a week long camping experience in the Chiricahua Mountains of Southeast Arizona or the Zuni Mountains of Western New Mexico. The camp provides children from at-risk communities the experience of a lifetime to help them achieve success in their lives. The children, who are generally 10 to 12 years of age, are nominated by their teachers.

Camp Dos Cabezas utilizes educational resources in Arizona and New Mexico, including national and state parks, Native American reservations, museums and private research foundations.

Volunteers who fit the following criteria should contact Mark Lacy at 713-521-3686 to arrange an interview. Positions are limited and applications will be considered in the order they are received.

- Volunteers must first be concerned with the health and safety of the children, and second with promotion of educational interests.
- Volunteers must be at least 18 years of age (Over 21 with college experience preferred).
- Volunteers must participate in all camp activities, including travel, hiking, education, discussion, photography, meal preparation and clean up, camp setup and breakdown, communication, and daily logistics and planning.
- Specific abilities are a plus, such as: first aid training or CPR certification; Spanish proficiency; experience with educational activities or games; specialized fields of study in science, art, history or communications; or, program development.
- Volunteers with special interests are welcome to lead efforts in one of the main camp components, i.e. educational activities or meal preparation.
- Volunteers must attend orientation and other preparation meetings as needed.
- They must also consent to a criminal background check.

An even balance of female and male volunteers is sought.

All travel, lodging, admission and meal costs for volunteers will be covered by Camp Dos Cabezas.

Following the camp, volunteers are encouraged to assist in monthly workshops and field trips that are offered to the children throughout the school year.

Opportunities to mentor the children in their studies are also available.

Program Descriptions and Camp Itineraries are available on the Internet at: www.houstonculture.org/camp