VOLUNTEER IN SPARK!LAB

The Lemelson Center for the Study of Invention and Innovation at the Smithsonian’s National Museum of American History is recruiting volunteers (called Ambassadors) to work with museum visitors in Spark!Lab, its hands-on invention space for children and families.

Spark!Lab Ambassadors will play an active role in:

- **Facilitating Meaningful Visitor Experiences:** welcoming a diverse group of visitors and engaging in inquiry-based discovery at a variety of hands-on activity stations; using creative methods to inspire and encourage children’s and family’s interest in the invention process.

- **Assisting daily facility operations in Spark!Lab:** getting the space and hands-on activities ready for visitor use; helping with some routine maintenance necessary to keep the innovation and imagination flowing!

**If You are Good at and Enjoy…**

- tinkering, experimenting, asking questions, constructing and deconstructing things to figure out how they work...
- interacting with diverse audiences, age groups and learning styles...
- working in an often busy and changing environment...

**If You Have…**

- some experience working in a hands-on, informal education space...
- strong interpersonal and communication skills...
- an interest in invention, history and science...

**If You are Able to…**

- commit to at least two 4-hour shifts a month, including weekends and holidays...
- handle frequent walking, standing, bending and lifting....

...Then please request an application from Emma Grahn, our Museum Program Specialist. You can email GrahnE@si.edu or call (202) 633-5457.

For more information please visit www.invention.si.edu, or contact Emma.

The Smithsonian is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. Women, minorities, people with disabilities, and candidates of all backgrounds are encouraged to apply.