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YOUR NATURE EXPERIENCE

Boat Handler (Seasonal/Part Time: May – October)

Location: Hirundo Wildlife Refuge

Hours: Saturdays, 8:30 AM – 2:30 PM

Pay: \$15.10/hour

Position Type: Seasonal

About Hirundo Wildlife Refuge

Hirundo Wildlife Refuge is a non profit with 2,460 acres of conserved woodlands and wetlands located just West of Old Town, Maine dedicated to preserving nature while providing educational, and recreational opportunities to the public.

Position Overview

Hirundo Wildlife Refuge is seeking a reliable and enthusiastic **Boat Handler** to assist with our **free canoe and kayak rentals** on Saturdays from **May through mid-October, spring 2026**. This is a great opportunity for someone who enjoys working outdoors, interacting with the public, and supporting accessible recreation in nature.

Responsibilities:

- Greet visitors and ensure they have filled out a liability waiver before issuing boats
- Assist visitors by distributing and retrieving canoes and kayaks.
- Ensure each guest receives a properly fitted PFD (life jacket) and paddle
- Maintain an organized system for tracking rentals and sign-ins
- Safely lift, maneuver, and transport canoes and kayaks as needed (up to 60lbs)
- Provide basic safety guidance to guests (training provided)
- Open Gate 1 located at 1107 W Old Town Rd, Old Town (training provided)

Required:

- Comfortable lifting and handling canoes and kayaks independently
- Ability to lift up and carry up to 50lbs
- Friendly, responsible, and able to work independently
- Willing to work outdoors in various weather conditions
- Prior canoeing and/or kayaking experience

If you love being outside and helping others enjoy Maine's waterways, we'd love to have you on our team!
To apply, email info@hirundomaine.org with a brief introduction and your resume.