

FIELD ASSISTANT NEEDED MAY 1 – AUGUST 31, 2015

The Beaverhill Bird Observatory is looking for one highly motivated individual to take on duties of assistant biologist position at our field station. This job involves assistant the BBO biologist to conduct songbird monitoring from May 1 through August 31, 2015. This person will assist with the preparation of seasonal reports, enter data, give educational presentations and other public engagements, and other tasks to be determined. The salary is \$2800/month, in addition there is a \$200 monthly stipend to cover travel to and from the bird observatory for the six field months. Bunk house accommodation for the field season is provided.

Beaverhill Bird Observatory has conducted research and education in Alberta since 1984. Our main areas of interest are monitoring songbird populations during the migration and breeding seasons including mist netting, banding, and daily bird census, monitoring Northern Saw-whet Owls during the fall migration, and public education at the field station and in classrooms.

The successful applicant is required to be a student that is returning to school in the fall and:

- have some bird field identification skills particularly of birds of Alberta (by sound and sight)
- should be familiar with computers in particular Excel and Word
- have good writing skills for writing reports and weekly updates for the website
- should be comfortable living in rustic conditions (our site is situated at Beaverhill Lake in a Natural Area with solar power and propane and 'path' plumbing.
- have good communication skills and the ability to speak in front of groups of visitors
- have good interpersonal skills required and some experience with supervising staff is an asset
- safety certifications (First Aid/CPS, WHMIS, etc.) would be an asset
- ability to speak French would be an asset
- having some banding experience would be an asset.

What you need to do:

Submit a cover letter that includes the following information:

- Describe why you want to study birds at BBO
- ♦ What will you contribute to the position referencing your personal and professional experiences, including any bird handling experience
- Current program and year of study if you are a student
- Bird identification courses and when you took them

Submit a resume that includes the following information:

- ♦ Your name, phone number(s) and email address
- Relevant volunteer and work experience
- ♦ References (at least two)
- Other pertinent information you think you should include

E-mail cover letters and resumes to Geoff Holroyd < <u>geoffholroyd@gmail.com</u> > or mail to Beaverhill Bird Observatory, c/o Box 33, Site 2, RR 2, Tofield, AB T0B 4J0. <u>Only</u> potential candidates will be contacted for an interview.

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: MARCH 30, 2015