Project 3: ESC for Finnish Basketball Hall of Fame in Heinola and Lahti

Period of volunteering: February-July/August 2019

Number of volunteers: 1

How to apply: Application forms + CVs (motivation letter optional) by email to hakemukset@alli.fi by 26.11.18.

Description of the project

Finnish Basketball Hall of Fame consists missions about: Museum and Exhibition work, Alumniactivities and Hall of Fame gallery. We have two small exhibitions; located in town of Heinola and Kisakallio Sport Center (Lohja) and also movable exhibition. Finnish Basketball Hall of Fame is focusing to be society museum for all Finnish basketball communities and persons. Next year (2019) Finnish Basketball Federation celebrates 80th birthday and Basketball museum is planning to organise basketball poster exhibition, which is on tour at least 3 different places. There will be also virtual reality game on tour.

Heinola YMCA is local basketball team in town of Heinola. There are players aged from 6-year-old to seniors, about 150 together. Heinola is located about 130 km from Helsinki, and 30 km from Lahti. Heinola YMCA is Museum's partner in this volunteer project.

In the Museum organization Mr Jari Toivonen (Director of Finnish Basketball Hall of Fame) is working alone for Museum. He manages the volunteer project and takes responsibility of big picture. Volunteer work with him related to Museum tasks. Mr Vesa Hämäläinen (CEO, YMCA Heinola) takes responsibility in Heinola about volunteers wellbeing and teaching about basketball coaching, responsibilities and also about Heinola area. And there are many coaches willing to help volunteer.

Accommodation is in town of Heinola near YMCA Training Center. There is own private room for volunteer (shared bathroom). It's also possible to stay 1-2 nights/week in town of Lahti living in Basketball

Museum's office room. That possibility gives more choices to get to know Lahti Basketball organization and travel less between Heinola and Lahti. Lahti is bigger town than Heinola. And it gives possibility to get to know the Finnish way of life better. There will be one meal served daily in Lahti or Heinola. And there is possibility to cook own food in both places. Transportation is public transportation (bus ticket). Volunteer can participate at Finnish language and culture education once a week in Heinola or Lahti.

We hope that our volunteer would be interested in basketball culture, be positive, sociable and reliable, be ready to do activities with children and could work independently.

The tasks can be for example sport activities, culture activities, exhibition workshops, activating social media in Museum of Basketball, helping making exhibitions, digitalizing museum materials, monitoring open-gym practices, assist coach in basketball trainings, helping tournament-organizations, etc....

The position is suitable for any young person aged 18-30, BUT we are not able to guarantee accessibility and/or special help for disabled persons due to buildings, stairs and transportation options. Our work language will mainly be Finnish (especially in Basketball trainings), but with volunteer we use English. We are open to discuss with the volunteer what kind of work she/he would like to /can do. We would like to have short interview with skype so please give us your skype address.

More information: Lahti: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lahti

Heinola: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Heinola https://www.heinola.fi/frontpage

Museum of Basketball (in Finnish): www.koripallomuseo.fi

YMCA Heinola (in Finnish): http://www.ymcaheinola.fi/