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A Bulletin of Career, Educational, & Reentry Information & Opportunities for RPCVs

HOT Resources

Check out these resources to help you research possible careers in crafts:

How to Survive and Prosper as an Artist: Selling Yourself Without Selling Your Soul

by Caroll Michels, 1997

Owl Books, Henry Holt & Co.

The best book of its kind. A practical survey of what a person needs to know to make a professional career in crafts.

Selling Your Crafts

by Susan Joy Sager

Allworth Press, 1998

The book details how to network effectively and build a customer base, listing organizations, business associations, and crafts publications that offer further sources of information.

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By Hand: Finding a Career in Crafts

by RPCV John Coyne (Ethiopia, 1962-64)

They leave the lights on all night at Penland School of Crafts in the mountains of North Carolina. They light up the huge three stories of Loom House, the pottery workshop, the forge, and glassblowing sheds. The lights are left burning because students work late on their crafts, long after sunset, and sometimes—when a kiln is being opened or the forge is operating—into the daylight itself.

Regardless of what hour one approaches the School of Crafts, coming up from Spruce Pine, through the town of Penland itself—now only a post office, a zip code, and railway depot—coming up another few miles, following the curves through forests of North Carolina pines, one can always see the school, bright in the distance. It's pinned into a corner, at the very end of a long sweeping valley and flush against a place called Arthur's Knob. At night the glow of flames from the forges, the glass shed, and the kilns seems to set the base of the knob on fire.

During the day the setting is not so startling—though it's in view of the long blue ridge of the Black Mountain Range and, closer to home, the smooth green and symmetrical Baileys Peak—as it is tranquil. Here, one thinks, is an isolated corner safe from the abuses of mechanization, the rush of business realities. Within minutes, strangers pick up the easy cadence of the place, the relaxed and friendly atmosphere, and the warmth.

Penland School of Crafts

"It began by chance," said Lucy Morgan, who founded Penland in 1929, "and has survived on luck." Morgan, who had been the director of the Episcopal Appalachian School in the village of Penland, wanted to preserve the disappearing traditional crafts of weaving, spinning, and vegetable dyeing.

"Miss Lucy," as she was called at Penland, had studied weaving herself in 1922 at Berea College in Kentucky, and as a young woman had brought back several modern looms for the women of the mountains. A determined person, she traveled the nearby hills on foot and by horseback and taught women, in their homes, the art of weaving. She also brought her products and sold them at North Carolina resorts.

The success of this cottage instruction continued, and a log cabin was built on the grounds of the Appalachian School. The cabin served as the first "school" and social center for the women of the community—and from that small beginning has grown into a school with 41 buildings and 400 acres of land.

In 1962, Miss Lucy retired and Penland selected Bill Brown as its next director. Brown turned Penland from being primarily a school that taught traditional crafts toward being a school interested in advancing the professional skills of students and furthering the development of craft techniques and innovations.

Penland Now

Today, Penland is directed by Jean W. McLaughlin and the school offers one- and two-week classes in the summer and eight-week sessions in the spring and fall. Over 1,200 people come each year to study any of 10 craft media. The fastest-growing courses are in blacksmithing, and the number of older students is increasing as people nearing retirement age and people in corporations who are "dropping out" of the business world look to learn something new.

A Post Peace Corps Career

In the mid-seventies, I coauthored a book titled *By Hand: A Guide to Schools and a Career in Crafts*. It was clear to me then, as it is now, that to make a living as a craft artist is a wonderful way of continuing the Peace Corps experience. The lifestyle that the world of crafts offers is one that, I'm sure, would appeal to many RPCVs.

Who Are We Talking About?

The craft artist is a person who creates his or her own designs and generally makes one-of-a-kind products, usually in a shop or studio. The craft artist is concerned with his or her own satisfaction as an artist, and the work may become non-utilitarian and tend toward sculpture or painting. This person is usually highly educated. He or she has usually attended a college or university that offers

PUBLIC SECTOR

PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICER • Cadillac, MI

Position available with the U.S. Forest Service in the Huron-Manistee National Forests. Duties: responsible for developing creative methods and techniques to communicate the organization's programs, policies, and activities to the internal and external publics throughout the geographical region. The Forests operates in a complex, sensitive political atmosphere and receives national attention concerning issues such as wild and scenic rivers, threatened and endangered species management, federal land ownership, and tribal rights. The Forests also operates in a sensitive regional media market including Detroit, and to a lesser extent, Chicago. For more information, please contact James Schuler, Forest Supervisor, at (231) 775-5023, ext. 8700; e-mail: <jschuler@fs.fed.us>.

CAMPUS COORDINATOR • Ann Arbor, MI

Part-time position available with the University of Michigan. Duties: coordinates all program activities to inform students and the community about Peace Corps; advises and interviews prospective applicants; maintains working relationship with Chicago Regional Office. Qualifications: able to work without close supervision; good speaking, writing, and organizational skills. University of Michigan grad student preferred. Minimum duration: 9/02-7/03. Please submit résumé and cover letter by 6/1/02 to: Louise M. Baldwin, Assistant Director, The University of Michigan International Center, 603 East Madison Street, Ann Arbor, MI 48109-1370; phone: (734) 647-2184; fax: (734) 647-2181; e-mail: <lbaldwin@umich.edu>.

PRIVATE SECTOR

SUPPORT STAFF • Monticello, UT

Position available with Wilderness Quest. Duties: provides logistical support for up to three groups of adolescents and young adults that includes water drops, food resupplies, equipment; helps plan routes; plans logistics. Qualifications: excellent map skills; energetic; strong wilderness living experience; must have excellent driving record; very experienced in four-wheel driving in rough terrain under all weather conditions; first aid, CPR required; prefer WFR. Two weeks on-one week off; benefits with contract-competitive salary. Please send résumés to Laura or Erik: <laura@wilderness.com>; phone: (435) 587-2801; fax: (435) 587-3164.

***TEACHERS • U.S. South**

Teaching positions available through Southern Teachers Agency for public and private schools, especially in small, rural districts. Duties: involve typical classroom assignments in all K-12 academic areas. Qualifications: bachelor's degree; teacher certification preferred, but not required. Salary: \$25K and up. Please send résumé to: Southern Teachers Agency, 7 Elliewood Avenue, Suite 2A, Charlottesville, VA 22903-2603; phone: (434) 295-9122; fax: (434) 295-6448; Web site: <www.southernteachers.com>.

***WILDERNESS INSTRUCTORS • Various**

Positions available with Hurricane Island Outward Bound School in Florida, Maine, and Maryland. Duties in Maine and Maryland: instruct students in sailing, sea kayaking, canoeing, backpacking, hiking, and climbing from mid-May through mid-September. Duties in Florida: teach technical skills, focusing on personal and team growth through facilitated challenging experiences for adjudicated and at-risk youth. Qualifications: experience in Outward Bound or outdoor programs, preferably expedition based; sound judgment; effective communication skills; technical outdoor skills; standard first aid and CPR. For more information please contact: Human Resources, Hurricane Island Outward Bound School, 75 Mechanic Street, Rockland, ME, 04841; phone: (207) 594-1401, ext. 388; e-mail: <employment@hurricaneisland.org>; Web site: <www.hurricaneisland.org>.

PROGRAM ASSOCIATE • Washington, DC

Position available with the Centre for Development and Population Activities (CEDPA), a nonprofit international organization. Duties: provides program and administrative backstopping for the Technical Advisors in AIDS and Child Survival (TAACS) project. Qualifications: bachelor's degree and two to three years of office experience; experience in contract/grant administration, budgeting, and program backstopping; familiarity with spreadsheet and database software, preferably Excel and Access; well organized and detail oriented with ability to set priorities; prior experience with USAID budgeting, financial, and contract procedures preferred. Please send cover letter, salary history, and résumé to the Centre for Development and Population Activities; fax: (202) 332-4496; e-mail: <jobs@cedpa.org>.

***COWORKER • Glenmoore, PA**

Positions available with Camphill Soltane, a life-sharing community providing a bridge to adulthood for developmentally disabled youths ages 18-25. Duties: participate in practical, educational, recreational, and artistic activities with disabled companions, including household duties, cooking, weaving, pottery, painting, theater, biodynamic farming, cultural outings, sports, tutoring, and general community building. Qualifications: desire to live and work in a close-knit community; ability to interact with diverse populations. Salary: room and board plus small monthly stipend; AmeriCorps Educational Award available. For information, contact Anne-Marie McMahon, 224 Nantmeal Road, Glenmoore, PA 19343; phone: (610) 469-0933; e-mail: <amcmahon@camphillsoltane.org>; Web site: <www.camphillsoltane.org>.

INTERPRETERS • Various, U.S.

Positions available with Berlitz for part-time interpretation assignments. Qualifications: bilingual and legally authorized to work in the United States. Connecticut: Cambodian, Creole, Farsi, Hungarian, Romanian, Serbian, Ukrainian, Vietnamese. Washington/Baltimore: Albanian, Arabic, Farsi, Gujarati, Hebrew, Hindi, Indonesian, Korean, Thai, Somali, Swahili, Turkish, Urdu, Vietnamese. No deadline: positions ongoing. Please send e-mail: <InterpreterRésumés@BerlitzGlobalNET.com>.

PROGRAM/EXEC. ASS'T • Washington, DC

Position available with the World Parks Endowment, a small nonprofit group dedicated to biodiversity and natural habitat conservation. Duties: works with the executive director and president; researches and describes conservation project opportunities; develops fundraising requests; writes letters; keeps track of donations and project payments. Qualifications: B.S./B.A.; experience in natural resource management or conservation in Latin America; fluency in Spanish; self-starter with strong organizational skills; Web design or facility with software a plus. Salary range: \$26-\$28K. Deadline for applications: May 2002. Please send cover letter and résumé to Byron Swift, World Parks Endowment, 1616 P Street, NW, Washington, DC 20036; e-mail: <bswift@worldparks.org>.

COST/PRICING ANALYST • Washington, DC

Position available with the Academy for Educational Development (AED). Duties: supports the vice president and cost and pricing analysts in the development of financial proposals. Qualifications: bachelor's degree with concentration in finance, business administration, or accounting; three years of relevant experience in cost-proposal development, financial analysis, and contract negotiation services; grant proposal development experience; knowledge and understanding of federal acquisition regulations; knowledge and understanding of USAID regulations and handbooks; possess strong financial analysis skills. Send résumé with cover letter referencing position KV2047pc to AED/HR, 1825 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20009; fax: (202) 884-8413; e-mail: <employ@aed.org>; Web site: <www.aed.org>.

PROGRAM ASSISTANT • Bala Cynwyd, PA

Position available with Women's Campaign International. Duties: provides administrative support; processes and maintains invoices; ensures financial reporting requirements are maintained; assists in the design of project budgets; coordinates travel; oversees general office operations. May be some travel overseas. Qualifications: bachelor's degree; interest in international development and women's issues; knowledge in QuickBooks or other bookkeeping software; ability to manage multiple tasks. Experience in Web design is a plus. Deadline for applications: 6/3/02. Please send résumé, cover letter, and three references to Dr. Irene Langran, Women's Campaign International, One Presidential Blvd., Suite 209, Bala Cynwyd, PA 19004; e-mail: <erica@womenscampaigninternational.org>.

VARIOUS • Red Bank, NJ

Positions available with Project USE, a private nonprofit organization providing year-round outdoor experiential education programs for students and adults. Positions include: Wildcat Mountain Wilderness Center (WMWC); program coordinator; WMWC field instructors; trek field instructors; ropes courses builders. For complete job descriptions, phone (732) 219-7300 or visit the Web site: <www.projectuse.com>. Benefits: salary, room and board, and medical/dental after three months. Send résumé and cover letter to Project USE, P.O. Box 837, Red Bank, NJ 07701; e-mail: <projectuse@monmouth.com>.

CONFERENCE STAFF • Various, U.S.

Positions available with National Youth Leadership Forum on Medicine, an education nonprofit. Positions available include faculty advisors, operations team members, office coordinators. Qualifications: B.A./B.S.; quick learner; capable of handling challenging hours in a fast-paced environment; experience working with high school students and/or interest in medicine preferred. Please send résumés, cover letters, and applications to National Youth Leadership Forum, c/o Shona Hunter, 1110 Vermont Avenue, NW, Suite 330, Washington, DC 20005; fax: (202) 777-4178; e-mail: <medstaff@nylf.org>. For more information please visit <www.nylf.org> (Job Openings/ Internships for NYLF Medicine).

***ENVIRON. EDUCATORS • Toccoa, GA**

Positions available with Blue Ridge Outdoor Education Center. Duties: teach environmental education classes, Cherokee culture adventure programs, high ropes, and rappelling with youth and adult groups. Qualifications: ability and desire to lead school groups in educational classes; biology, or ecology background preferred; sense of humor a must. First aid, CPR, high ropes, and rappelling training provided. Salary: \$190/week plus room and board. Send cover letter and résumé to John DiDiego (RPCV), Director, Blue Ridge Outdoor Education Center, Rte. 3, Box 3495, Toccoa, GA 30577; phone: (706) 886-7621; e-mail: <blueridge@alltel.net>.

PR OFFICER • Washington, DC

Position available with the Eurasia Foundation. Duties: helps to craft and implement an organizational public and press relations strategy; trains field staff; produces outreach materials; coordinates success story production; maintains Web site; coordinates outreach and fundraising events. Qualifications: five years of experience in writing and producing publications and press releases; Russian reading ability desired; experience with Adobe PageMaker, Adobe Acrobat Writer, Microsoft FrontPage, and either Adobe Photoshop or Microsoft Photo Editor. Please send résumé and cover letter to: Martin Varghese, Human Resources Assistant, the Eurasia Foundation, 1350 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Suite 1000, Washington, DC 20036; e-mail: <résumés@eurasia.org>; Web site: <www.eurasia.org>.

PARENT INVOLVEMENT MGR. • S. CO

Ten-month position available with Otero Junior College Child Development Services. The program serves children ages birth to school age and serves young children with high-quality early childhood services. Duties: coordinates parent involvement services for parents/families served. Qualifications: A.A./B.A./M.A. in social work, human services, or related field. Bilingual (English-Spanish) preferred. Work period of August 1-November 22, 2002, and February 25-August 29, 2003. Competitive salary, excellent fringe benefits. Submit résumés to Michelle Weaver, 1802 Colorado Avenue, La Junta, CO 81050; phone: (719) 384-1091; fax: (719) 384-1096. Deadline is 7/5/02.

PROJECT COORDINATOR • Miami, FL

Position available with the Education Fund. Duties: donor relations, warehouse management, inventory and reports, tracking teachers, special events, volunteer program, pickup coordination and other duties. Qualifications: able to drive between office and warehouse; live in Miami-Dade; organized; possess skills in Excel; work independently; self-starter; appreciate art; able to work many evenings and Saturdays. Salary is low to mid-20s plus benefits. Deadline for applications: end of May. Please fax résumé to Miriam Oppenheimer: (305) 892-5096; Web site: <www.educationfund.org>.

ADMIN. ASSISTANT • Washington, DC

Position available with Environmental Resources Management. Qualifications: high level of communication and organizational skills; good business and financial awareness; ability to contribute to and help manage a range of international development and environmental projects; strong computer skills; additional languages (e.g. Spanish, French) considered an asset. This is an entry-level position that could lead to career growth opportunities in international development and the environmental field. Salary: \$28K-\$32K based upon experience and qualifications. Deadline for applications: 6/1/02. Please send résumé to Kurt Lonsway, Technical Director, ERM, 1730 K Street, NW, Suite 1300, Washington, DC 20006; e-mail <Kurt.Lonsway@erm.com>.

CHINA PROGRAM DIR. • Stanford, CA

Position available with VIA, a nonprofit organization dedicated to furthering understanding between Americans and Asians. Duties: oversight of the China program; works on recruitment, selection, training, and field support; works with the executive director, the finance director, and the board on organization-wide issues. Qualifications: experience living and working in China; ability to work as a team member and independently; commitment to consensus decision-making process; excellent oral and written communication skills; ability to multitask and manage time well. Preferred: strong computer skills; experience in cross-cultural training. Deadline for applications: 6/3/02. Please send résumé to Karen Hoy; fax: (650) 723-3228; e-mail: <china@viaprograms.org>.

PROGRAM COORDINATOR • Baltimore, MD

Position available with JHPIEGO Corporation, an affiliate of Johns Hopkins University, working to advance reproductive and maternal health programs worldwide. Duties: assists with international program management for Africa; provides administrative and financial support to ongoing projects and research; writes and compiles program information. Qualifications: Bachelor's degree and international program management experience; excellent administrative, organizational, and communication skills; French fluency. Please send résumé to JHU Résumé Processing Center, P.O. Box 3687, Scranton, PA 18505; fax: (877) 262-0646; e-mail: <jhu@alexus.com>; or apply online at <jobs.jhu.edu>. Reference job number H026942. Web site: <www.jhpiego.org>.

ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR • Washington, DC

Position available in late July with Catholic Network of Volunteer Service (CNVS), a membership organization of over 230 Christian volunteer programs, offering full-time service opportunities in the U.S. and overseas. Duties: oversees day-to-day operations at national office in Washington, D.C.; monitors programming; supervises several staff; assists executive director with fundraising. Please send résumé and cover letter, along with two writing samples, to Jim Lindsay, Executive Director, CNVS, 1410 Q Street, NW, Washington, DC 20009; e-mail: <jlindsay@cnvs.org>; Web site: <www.cnvs.org>.

UNION ORGANIZERS • Various, U.S.

Positions available with AFL-CIO Organizing Institute. Duties: help workers gain union representation by developing leadership skills among workers, educate about workers' rights, and run campaigns for union recognition. The Organizing Institute is a paid training and job placement program that matches talented people with unions expanding their organizing programs. The Organizing Institute is a selective program that includes classroom, field training, and job placement. Deadline for applications: one week before a three-day training. For an application or questions, please call (800) 848-3021 or visit <www.organize.aflcio.org>.

ONLINE VOLUNTEER MGR. • New York, NY

Position available with NetAid, an international program matching online volunteers with development organizations. NetAid seeks a social entrepreneur with a proven track record to propel this Internet-based program forward and make it truly global. Qualifications: track record as an entrepreneur capable of energizing, strategizing and leading a project forward; 10 years of experience in development, with at least five in field locations; master's degree or equivalent experience; significant volunteer experience, with international volunteer and volunteer management experience highly desirable; excellent organizational and communications skills; language skills highly desirable. Deadline for applications: 5/20/02. Please send résumés to <mkelly@netaid.org>.

PROGRAM MANAGER • New York, NY

Position available with Project Enterprise. Duties: recruits clients; provides business training and technical assistance to low-income entrepreneurs. Qualifications: fluent in Spanish and English and comfortable teaching, presenting, and writing in both; entrepreneurial; teaching and community organizing experience desired; high level of motivation, initiative, and resourcefulness; experience mediating between individuals and/or groups; previous experience teaching and working with diverse low-income individuals preferred. Deadline for applications: 6/7/02. Please submit résumé and cover letter to Project Enterprise, Attn: Beth Dunphe, 144 W. 125th Street, New York, NY 10027; fax: (212) 678-6737; e-mail: <bethd@projectenterprise.org>; Web site: <www.projectenterprise.org>.

**FIELD SUPERVISOR • Hartford, WI**

Position available ASAP through mid-Nov. with Full Harvest Farms. Duties: supervises two to eight workers in all aspects of field work on an organic vegetable farm, including weeding, planting, cultivating by hand or by tractor, picking, washing, packing, delivery, and farmer's market sales. Qualifications: agricultural and supervisory experience preferred; love of the outdoors. Benefits: full room and board and \$125/week. Deadline for applications: 6/1/02. Please send résumé to Full Harvest Farm, 7112 County Road S., Hartford, WI 53027; phone/fax: (262) 673-6760; e-mail: <fullharvestfarm@yahoo.com>.

VARIOUS • Arlington, VA

Junior-to senior-level positions available with John Snow, Inc., a worldwide U.S. Agency for International Development contractor dedicated to public health. The Deliver Project provides technical assistance in logistics in 30 developing countries for the distribution of contraceptives and other public health commodities, including condoms for the prevention of HIV/AIDS. There is an ongoing need for people with skills in program development, public health initiatives, policy, training, and IT. Logistics experience, French/Spanish highly desired. Please send résumés to Chitra Rana; fax: (703) 528-7480; e-mail: <Chitra_Rana@jsi.com>; Web site: <deliver.jsi.com>.

RECEPTIONIST • Bethesda, MD

Position available with Klausner, Dubinsky and Associates, CPAs. Qualifications: reception experience; an outgoing personality; excellent telephone manners; ability to multitask; computer skills. Salary commensurate with experience. Please fax résumés ASAP to Ali at (301) 907-9227.

EDUCATOR • Sturgeon Bay, WI

Faculty position available with the University of Wisconsin - Extension. Duties: assists Door County municipalities with educational support in economic development, land use, and natural resource planning. Qualifications: master's degree in a related field required. Application deadline: 6/5/02. Please send cover letter, résumé, contact information for three professional references, and college transcripts to Cooperative Extension Personnel, 249 Extension, 432 N. Lake Street, Madison, WI 53706; phone: (608) 263-1945; Web site: <www1.uwex.edu/ces/personnel>.

PEACE CORPS FELLOWS/USA***UNIVERSITY OF OREGON • Eugene, OR**

The University of Oregon's Resource Assistance for Rural Environments (RARE) program is accepting applications for 2002-03. Application deadline is June 14, with positions beginning October 2002. Gain experience in leadership, project management, group facilitation, grant writing, time management, volunteer management, citizen involvement, community/economic development, land-use planning, education and outreach, and technical writing. Benefits: \$1,250/monthly, health insurance; after one year of service, participants are eligible to receive an educational award of \$4,725. For more information, write: 1209 University of Oregon, Eugene, OR 97403-1209; phone: (541) 346-2879; e-mail: <rare@darkwing.uoregon.edu>. Program and application information available at: <darkwing.uoregon.edu/~rare>.

Fellows/USA works with more than 30 universities that offer financial assistance to RPCVs who wish to attend graduate school in a multitude of subject areas. Through internships, RPCVs work in underserved U.S. communities. Find out more at <www.peacecorps.gov/fellows>, call (800) 424-8580, ext. 1440, or write to <fellows@peacecorps.gov>.

PROGRAM FIELD ASSISTANT • Chicago, IL

Position available with Heifer International, a hunger and agricultural development organization. Duties: assists the Midwest program manager with project development and monitoring; assists with training collaborations with partner organizations; manages operations budget. Qualifications: B.S. degree in appropriate field, three to five years of experience in rural/urban agriculture or community development; experience working with limited-resource farmers; bilingual English/Spanish a plus; knowledge of livestock management and organic horticulture desirable. Starting salary range \$30K-\$35K. Deadline for applications: 5/31/02. Please send résumé, cover letter, and application to HR, Heifer Int'l, 1015 Louisiana Street, Little Rock, AR 72202; fax: (501) 907-2820; e-mail: <jobs@heifer.org>.

ANALYST/SR. ANALYST • Bethesda, MD

Positions available with Abt Associates. Duties for senior analyst: researches and analyzes technical issues relating to international development; participates in studies and other technical assistance activities relating to agriculture practice of Abt Associates. Duties for analyst: provides management to other projects; develops budgets and financial tracking systems and reports; manages project site-based staff inquiries and problems; manages consultant hires and travel. Qualifications for both: knowledge of USAID and other donor

organizations; strong communication, organization, and writing skills; computer proficiency in Word and Excel. For full notices and to apply, please visit <www.abtassociates.com> or send résumé to <abtassoc@rpc.webhire.com>. For senior analyst, reference WS3252; for analyst, reference WS3263.

INTERNATIONAL**ENGLISH TEACHER • Nagoya, Japan**

Position available working with an RPCV currently running the Kokusaika English School in rural Japan. Duties: shares teaching load starting in summer. Qualifications: B.S./B.A.; teaching experience; good English skills. Salary: \$2,015 per month. Send cover letter, photo, copy of degree, and résumé to Mike Lyons, Kokusaika English School, 1501-601 Omori, Kani, Gifu, Japan 509-0238. E-mail: <lyonsmik@kani.or.jp>

TRAINING DIR. • Dominican Republic

Position available in Santo Domingo with Entrena SA to manage the Peace Corps Dominican Republic training contract. Duties: responsible for the delivery of all training services; administrative and financial management. Qualifications: fluency in Spanish; solid understanding of budgeting, accounting, and auditing procedures; three years of training experience, including design, methodologies, and plans; ability in counseling and assessment

HOT! OPPORTUNITIES**PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES • Boulder, CO**

Positions available with Boulder County Health Department (BCHD) for one half-time nurse supervisor and four full-time public health nurses to serve low-income, first-time pregnant women/families from pregnancy to child's second birthday. Supervisor qualifications: M.S.N. or related; four years' nursing experience including two years' supervision. Deadline: 5/24/02. Nurse qualifications: B.S.N.; two years' nursing experience. Deadline: 5/31/02. Both positions require Colorado RN; Colorado driver's license; vehicle for business use; must clear background check. Please send BCHD application (available on Web site) to Human Resources, 3450 Broadway, Boulder, CO 80304; phone: (303) 441-1140; Web site: <www.co.boulder.co.us/health/jobs/jobs.htm>.

procedures; knowledge of major principles of adult education and experiential learning. Knowledge of history, philosophy, and programming of Peace Corps/Dominican Republic preferable. Please send résumé and cover letter to Entrena, EPS #P-4509, PO Box 025261, Miami, FL 33102-5261; fax: (809) 560-9387; e-mail: <entrena@codetel.net.do>.

REPROD. HEALTH FIELD OFFICER • Sudan
Position available with the American Refugee Committee. Duties: participates in the development of curriculum for health training materials; conducts training seminars as needed; collects and analyzes health statistics; assists the RH manager to collate, and prepare data reports. Qualifications: nurse or M.P.H.; clinical experience in treatment of STDs, with significant experience in HIV/STD preferred; proven ability in supervising and training staff; excellent writing and communication skills; willingness to work in a complex emergency environment with basic/limited local resources and infrastructure. Send cover letter and résumé to Heather Kidd: <archq@archq.org>.

***COUNTRY DIRECTOR • Mali**
Position available with Enterprise Works Worldwide. Duties: continues and expands country program; plans, develops, manages all aspects of program, including fundraising; represents EWW with host government representatives, donors, local institutions. Program focus: expanding vegetable production using improved irrigation; promoting oilseed processing and improved charcoal stoves. Qualifications: three years of experience in agribusiness/small business development in francophone country; strong management, financial management, strategic development skills; French; M.A. in agriculture/business-related field; previous job experience in Mali. Salary \$40K. Send cover letter and résumé to Brooke Hopper, Africa Program Assistant, Enterprise Works Worldwide, 1828 L Street, NW, Suite 1000, Washington, DC 20036; e-mail: <hopperb@enterpriseworks.org>.

POPULATION FELLOWS • Worldwide
The Population Fellows Programs offer two-year professional fellowships to individuals with graduate degrees in population, environment, and development-related areas. Population Fellows are placed with organizations working to improve family planning and reproductive health programs in the developing world. Population-Environment Fellows work on projects that combine assistance for threatened environments with attention to the population dynamics and reproductive health needs of the communities living within them. Fellows receive a professional-level stipend and benefits. Please contact the Population Fellows Programs, University of Michigan, 1214 South University, 2nd Floor, Ann Arbor, MI 48104-2548; phone: (734) 763-9456; fax: (734) 647-0643; e-mail: <michiganfellows@umich.edu>; Web site: <www.sph.umich.edu/pfps>.

VARIOUS • Cambodia and China
Positions available with the Rainbow Children's Fund, a national nonprofit organization dedicated to caring for children without guardians. Cambodia teacher/caregiver duties: work with children at

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courses in applied arts or a craft school where he or she has studied the principles of design and the history of art, thereby gaining an understanding of the cultural significance of the crafts. In some cases, the craft artist is self-taught.

The Growth of Crafts

While "craft" is an individual artistic endeavor, its development today is an industry. And the growth is most evident in sales of the products, whether it is pottery or weaving. In 1966 the first Northeast Crafts Fair, sponsored by the American Crafts Council, sold the work of 80 craft artists for \$80,000. The same fair in 1974 sold products of 580 craft artists for \$750,000. Last year an American Crafts Council fair in Baltimore generated over \$5 million and had over 700 craft artists showing their wares. The World Crafts Council reports that interest in crafts in the United States is increasing about 20 percent a year.

Summer Craft Schools

For Peace Corps Volunteers returning to the United States who have "discovered" traditional handicrafts in their host country, a summer course is one of the best ways of developing their own skills and wherewithal for making a career in crafts. Penland School in North Carolina, Arrowmont in Tennessee, and Haystack in Maine are some of the oldest and most famous of summer craft schools.

Why Crafts?

People who are asked why they took up a particular craft use sensual words to describe their fondness for the materials involved. Working with such basic elements as clay, fibers, and wood lets a person get "in touch" again with fundamental materials. Toshiko Takaezu, an internationally known artist, puts it this way: "When working with clay, I take pleasure from the process as well as from the finished piece. Every once in a while, I am in tune with the clay, and I hear music, and it's like poetry. Those are moments that make pottery truly beautiful for me."

Crafts Classifications

Ceramics is the most popular of the crafts—it is estimated that 75 percent of all craft artists are potters—but the growth in other crafts is also significant. Today, craft artists are divided into many classifications. There are the folk and traditional craft workers, the contemporary, university-trained craft artists, the designer craft artists, and the hobbyists.

People of all ages are "finding their way with clay." People are learning again to forge, blow glass, and work in fabrics. They are becoming silversmiths, weavers, and joiners.

Getting Skilled

By gaining skills, craft artists are also gaining better control of their lives—learning how to live well and in a different way. For working in crafts evidently makes a person tone down his or her life, and helps reduce the complexities of living. (It's almost like being a PCV again.) However, making a living from crafts is not easily done.

Venturing into the world of crafts as a career is a worthy step, but "finding one's way" means understanding the realities of doing business. According to career coach-artist advocate Caroll Michels, "the biggest mistake craft artists make is a lack of understanding that if one wants to sell their artwork, they are entering into a world of commerce and therefore must treat their career as a business."

Organizations That Help

There are, however, a number of organizations helping craft artists make a living from their work. Most prominent is the nonprofit American Crafts Council, which has over 28,000 members and publishes the magazine *Craft Horizons*. Another extremely useful resource is the *Crafts Report*, founded in 1975. The publication is the first craft business magazine in existence and today sells 50,000 copies a month.

Rose Slivka, former editor in chief of *Craft Horizons*, writes, "The craft artist has demonstrated that there is an economic base . . . her production, limited in order to assure personal control of quality, will not earn her a million dollars, but simply a modest living for herself and her family."

But economics is not why so many people are turning to crafts for a new way of life. Crafts are seen as leisure-time activities, creative hobbies, therapy, and for some, a full-time job. Yet more than any of these, crafts are seen as the way to a lifestyle other than a 9-to-5 job—a lifestyle that today would agree with almost anyone who served in the Peace Corps.

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Career Fair and Workshops

Looking for a job or fellowship? Or just want to find direction in your life? Come to the NPCA's Career Fair and Workshops June 21 and 22. **The Career Fair and Workshops are free to all conference registrants and only \$35 for nonregistrants.** The Career Fair will be open on Friday, June 21, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and the Career Workshops will run Friday, June 21, and Saturday, June 22.

Register for the entire conference on the NPCA Web site at <www.rpcv.org> (click on "Honor the 40th"). To sign up just for the Career Fair and Workshops online, go to the conference registration section of the NPCA Web site, fill out the conference registration form, and choose "Career Fair Only."

refugee camps in Cambodia; teach, manage, and give care to K-12 children. China ESL teacher duties: teach English as second language. China project manager duties: manages grant proposals and coordination; manages field offices. Benefits: round-trip airfare; local competitive salary; free accommodations; paid vacations with airfare; free local health care. Please send your résumé to Sam at <kahngsw@rainbowchildrensfund.org>.

FINANCE AND ADMIN. OFFICER • S. Sudan
Position available with VITA, an international development organization. Duties: establishes an agricultural enterprise finance institution; directs and controls all accounting and reporting functions; supervises and trains accounting/finance staff; ensures compliance with U.S. government contract rules and federal assistance regulations; designs and oversees the requisite project financial management systems. Qualifications: advanced degree in finance, accounting, or business administration; five to 10 years of experience in financial/administrative management; proven expertise in USAID regulations and financial reporting requirements; experience in microcredit, refugees, Sudan, or other post-conflict environments desired. Please send résumé to Vicki Tsiliopoulos at <vickit@vita.org>.

AGRICULTURAL DEV. ADVISOR • S. Sudan
Positions available with the Southeast Consortium for International Development (SECID), a consortium of land grant universities that provides technical assistance and training in developing countries. SECID is preparing a proposal for USAID to implement a five-year training program and is looking for trainers. Qualifications: subject matter expertise (M.S. desirable) in crop production; animal production; SME agribusiness, marketing, and economics; fisheries development and processing; forestry and forest product development; wildlife management. For questions and/or to apply, please e-mail Bob Delemarre at <rad@secid.org> (cc: Debbie Tang at <dgt@secid.org>). Deadline for applications: 5/21/02.

EDUCATION

***HEALTH/EDUCATION • Beer Sheva, Israel**
In collaboration with Columbia University, the medical school at Ben Gurion University of the Negev offers a four-year medical degree in international health and medicine. The program is taught in English and enrolls students who seek a medical degree with special skills in cross-cultural, community, and preventive medicine. Students take the U.S. Medical Licensing Exam and are expected to complete residencies in the United States. The program is approved by the U.S. Department of Education. Contact the admissions office at 630 West 168th Street, PH15E-1512, New York, NY 10032; phone: (212) 305-9587; e-mail: <bgcu-md@columbia.edu>.

***ARIZONA STATE U. • Tempe, AZ**
ASU offers a unique graduate program that especially welcomes RPCV applicants. The global technology and development master's program explores the impact of technological development on social,

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MONTEREY INSTITUTE • Monterey, CA
Scholarships up to \$10K are available for qualified RPCVs in the following graduate programs: M.B.A., international or environmental policy studies, commercial diplomacy, public administration, translation and interpretation, TESOL, or teaching foreign languages. The institute prepares its students for successful international careers in the private, public, nonprofit, and educational sectors. The institute also offers master's programs in conjunction with the Peace Corps Master's International. For information, please call (831) 647-4123; e-mail: <admit@miis.edu>; Web site: <www.miis.edu>.

***TULANE UNIVERSITY • New Orleans, LA**
Tulane University School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine has rolling admissions and is now accepting applications from RPCVs interested in public health for fall 2002 entrance. Contact Dr. Elaine Boston, Associate Dean of Student Affairs: (800) 676-5389; e-mail: <eboston@tulane.edu>; Web site: <www.sph.tulane.edu>.

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The School of Public and Environmental Affairs' two-year graduate program at Indiana University prepares RPCVs for challenging and rewarding work in city and local government; comparative and international affairs; economic development; environmental policy and natural resource management; information systems; policy analysis; public financial administration; public and nonprofit management; applied ecology; environmental chemistry, toxicology, and risk assessment; and water resources. RPCVs receive six graduate credit hours for their experiences. Additional merit aid is also available. Contact the School of Public and Environmental Affairs, SPEA 260, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN 47405; phone: (800) 765-7755; e-mail: <speainfo@indiana.edu>; Web site: <www.spea.indiana.edu>.

***UNIVERSITY OF DENVER • Denver, CO**
The Graduate School of International Studies (GSIS) at the University of Denver offers several globally oriented master's degrees for RPCVs. Students can choose from degrees in development, human rights, NGO management, international studies, and global finance. RPCVs may receive up to 15 academic credits (a \$7,152 value) for their Peace Corps experience. Additionally, GSIS has earmarked four scholarships specifically for RPCVs. Contact GSIS Admissions Office; phone: (877) 474-7236; e-mail: <gsisadm@du.edu>; Web site: <www.du.edu/gsis>.

PENN. STATE • University Park, PA

Graduate assistantship available at Pennsylvania State University. Duties: promotes and disseminates information related to Peace Corps opportunities and assists candidates through the entire application process; develops, organizes, and implements recruitment activities; participates in career fairs in assigned region; conducts preliminary interviews; prepares periodic activity and evaluative reports. Qualifications: successful completion of two-year assignment; acceptance into a full-time graduate program at University Park campus. Please send résumé, DOS, and cover letter to Catherine S. Dufour, Associate Director for Recruiting and Employer Relations, Pennsylvania State University, 407 Boucke Building, University Park, PA 16802; phone: (814) 863-0225; e-mail: <csdufour@psu.edu>.

*U. OF VERMONT • Burlington, VT

The field naturalist and ecological planning master's degree programs at the University of Vermont provide multidisciplinary field training in landscape ecology, environmental problem solving, and ecology-based land-use planning. Students work on real-world problems in the field and learn approaches to understanding how ecosystems work. Field naturalists focus mainly on integrating ecology, botany, zoology, geology, hydrology, and soil science. Ecological planners focus on integrating the social dimensions of environmental understanding with the field naturalist approach. RPCVs are encouraged to apply. For more information, contact Field Naturalist /Ecological Planning Program, Dept. of Botany, University of Vermont, Burlington, VT 05405; phone: (802) 656-2930.

*THE HELLER SCHOOL • Waltham, MA

Brandeis University is offering a master's program in health and human services management. The master of management and M.B.A. (human services) are offered on a full-time basis each June, and on a part-time basis each June, September, and January. Students can concentrate in a number of policy areas, including health, child, youth and family services, and services for elders and people with disabilities. Heller also offers a Ph.D. in social policy. RPCVs are entitled to waive the \$50 application fee, and scholarships are available for full-time students. Please contact Heller Admissions; phone: (800) 279-4105; e-mail: <HellerAdmissions@brandeis.edu>; Web site: <heller.brandeis.edu>.

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HOST FAMILIES • Nationwide

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community. Contact Dawna via phone at (800) 637-0217; e-mail: <dawna@azmail.net>.

*COUNTRY SPECIALISTS • U.S.

Volunteer country specialists are needed to serve as Amnesty International USA's primary expert and strategist on specific country. Position is based in the U.S., and requires a two-year commitment averaging 10 hours a week. Specialists are selected on the basis of country expertise, AI knowledge, and human rights activist experience. Responsibilities may include supporting and monitoring group casework, collaborating with AIUSA's communication department, and maintaining regular contact with relevant government officials. Send résumé and cover letter to Amnesty International, Attn.: Cogroup Recruitment Office, PC-98, 304 Pennsylvania Avenue, SE, Washington, DC 20003; phone: (202) 544-0200, ext. 261; fax: (202) 546-7142; e-mail: <cgintern@aiusa.org>.

INTERN • Washington, DC

Internship available with the National Wildlife Federation in the Climate Change and Wildlife Program. Duties: engages in both advocacy and education to promote greater understanding of the impact of climate change on wildlife and build support for domestic policies and programs to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and corporate climate change into long-term conservation plans. Qualifications: B.A. or B.S.; strong coursework or work experience in wildlife science/ecology, climate science, environmental policy, or economics preferred; strong writing skills; ability to communicate complex issues to broad public audiences. Please send résumé and cover letter to <Internopp@nwf.org> referencing the intern position in the subject line.

HR SPECIALISTS • Various locations

Intern positions available with the Air Force. Positions offer a three-year training program with starting salaries of \$30K-35K. Annual promotions of \$6K-\$9K based on meeting training requirements. Duties: provide support to managers achieving efficient and effective management of the civilian workforce in employment, development, labor and management relations, and position classification programs. More information can be found at the following Web sites <www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/cp/recruit> or <afcrossroads.com/dodinstall/usaf.htm>. Send résumé to <denise.walker@pentagon.af.mil>. Résumés will be accepted until 5/31/02.

AMERICORPS/VISTA

VARIOUS POSITIONS • Lewiston, ME

Position available with Maine Campus Compact. Duties: support community service and service-learning programs to develop strong campus-community partnerships, and to improve the reading and math skills of low-income children. Benefits: Education award of \$4,725, student loan forbearance, monthly living allowance, health insurance, relocation allowance; housing/meals provided on most campuses. Qualifications:

Crisis Corps Recruiting Short-Term Volunteers



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The following assignments require previous African work experience and a six-month commitment. Additional qualifications listed. Start date is as soon as possible.

Kenya

1. HIV/AIDS pre- and post-test counseling volunteer for Meru Red Cross Society and Kenya Methodist University (counseling and training experience and a degree in counseling or clinical social work, or an M.P.H. required); 2. Laboratory blood safety volunteer for Family Health International (three years of experience as lab manager or technologist and experience setting up quality assurance programs); 3. Blood donor recruitment volunteer for Family Health International (health degree and two years of social marketing or community mobilization experience with a public health department or agency).

Malawi

1. Small business development volunteer for a Catholic parish in the southern region to assist with a variety of income generation projects to support orphans and people living with HIV/AIDS (prior management/supervision of a small business, Africa small business development experience, strong organization and communications skills, and a sensitivity and willingness to work with HIV/AIDS are required).

Upcoming Africa Assignments

We encourage RPCVs to submit their application materials as we anticipate additional HIV/AIDS assignments in Kenya, Lesotho, Malawi, and Tanzania over the next several months. We also anticipate assignments in Guinea working with the World Food Program in its internally displaced persons and school canteen projects.

Because of mail delivery difficulties, Crisis Corps requests that applications and résumés be faxed to (202) 692-2251 or e-mailed to <crisiscorps@peacecorps.gov>. An application and additional position information can be downloaded from the Crisis Corps Web site at <www.peacecorps.gov/rpcv/crisiscorps>; or call (800) 424-8580, ext. 2250.

college graduate, project and multitask management, oral and written communication skills. Please send résumé, cover letter, and four references to MCC VISTA Program, 220 College Street, #2, Lewiston, ME 04240. For more information, please contact Carla Ganiel at (207) 786-8392; e-mail: <cganiel@bates.edu>; Web site: <abacus.bates.edu/mcc/vista.html>.

*LEADERS • Chelan, WA

Positions available in a lakeside community surrounded by the Cascade Mountains. Duties: helps implement literacy programs to serve struggling readers across north central Washington; promotes the success of VISTA/AmeriCorps members through training/mentoring and ensures smooth operation of the Washington Reading Corps project. Leaders earn a \$918/month living allowance and education award of \$4,725 upon successful completion of service. Contact: Intermountain AmeriCorps, Box 2800, Chelan, WA 98816; phone: (509) 682-4550, ext. 28; e-mail: <ndrewl@ncesd.org>.

LEADER • Burlington, VT

Position available with the Vermont America Reads Literacy Initiative. Duties: trains and supports 20 AmeriCorps/VISTA members working on literacy projects statewide. Qualifications: must have completed two years of Peace Corps or one year of AmeriCorps/VISTA service; strong organizational and interpersonal skills. Benefits include a living stipend, training, travel reimbursement, and an education award of \$4,725. Housing assistance is available. Deadline for applications: 5/31/02. Send cover letter and résumé to: Erin Massey, AmeriCorps/VISTA, CEDO Rm 32, City Hall, Burlington, VT 05401; phone: (802) 865-7170; e-mail: <emassey@ci.burlington.vt.us>.

VARIOUS POSITIONS • Various, U.S.

International Rescue Committee has 31 AmeriCorps/VISTA positions available. Members will work in 10 cities to strengthen the capacity of refugee service providers and their communities as well as assist vulnerable refugee women and youth to overcome barriers to self-reliance and develop financial assets. Contact <quocn@their.org> or see <www.theirc.org/resettle/rwy>.

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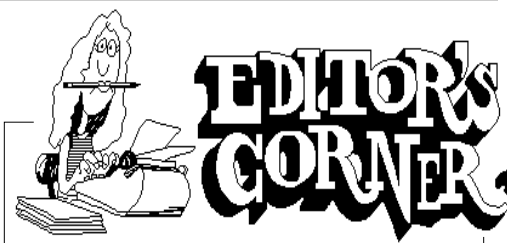
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When and Where:

May 22, 2002
Noon to 1:30 p.m.
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For more information, please contact Elvira May, RVS, at (202) 692-1445.

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For more information, visit the Web site <www.rpcv.org> or contact the NPCA membership department at (202) 293-7728, ext. 23; or e-mail: <membership@rpcv.org>.

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