



STATE OF COLORADO
invites applications for the position of:

Temple Buell Associate Curator of Architecture-- (Five-Year Limited-Term Term Position)

This announcement is not governed by the selection processes
of the classified personnel system. Applications will be
considered from residents and non-residents of Colorado.

CLASS TITLE: NON-CLASSIFIED

LOCATION: Denver Metro, Colorado

PRIMARY PHYSICAL WORK ADDRESS: 1200 Broadway, Denver, CO 80203

SALARY: \$2,076.92 - \$2,230.77 Biweekly
\$4,500.00 - \$4,833.33 Monthly

OPENING DATE: 08/16/22

CLOSING DATE: 09/16/22 11:59 PM

JOB TYPE: Full Time

DEPARTMENT INFORMATION:



History Colorado

JOB TYPE: Created in 2018, this limited term position continues the work of the previous Temple Buell Architecture Curator. The position funding renews annually with the probability of a total of 5 years funding. This is a full time limited term position with benefits.

HISTORY COLORADO has a strong commitment to diversity, inclusion and cultural competency, because of that; we are continuously seeking to recruit individuals who will enhance this diversity and ultimately the effectiveness of our organization.

We believe that equity, diversity, and inclusion drive our success, and we encourage candidates from all identities, backgrounds, and abilities to apply. History Colorado and the State of Colorado is an equal opportunity employer committed to building inclusive, innovative work environments with employees who reflect our communities and enthusiastically serve them. Therefore, in all aspects of the employment process, we provide employment opportunities to all qualified applicants without regard to race, color, religion, sex, disability, age, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, pregnancy, medical condition related to pregnancy, creed, ancestry, national origin, marital status, genetic information, or military status or any other protected status in accordance with applicable law.

If you are considering a career opportunity with the goal of making a difference, consider joining the dedicated people at History Colorado. Our professionals inspire generations to find wonder and meaning in our past and to engage in creating a better Colorado. The home office for the Temple Buell Curator of Architecture is at the History Colorado Center in Downtown Denver, a location convenient to downtown shopping, restaurants, and cultural facilities in the Golden Triangle district. In addition to a great location, we offer fantastic benefits including:

- Strong, secure, yet flexible retirement benefits including a [PERA Defined Benefit Plan or PERA Defined Contribution Plan](#) plus 401K and 457 plans
- [Medical and dental health plans](#)
- Employer supplemented [Health Savings Account](#)
- Paid life insurance
- Short-and long-term disability coverage
- 10 paid holidays per year plus 12 hours of vacation and 6.66 hours of sick leave a month
- [Public Service Loan Forgiveness](#) – A borrower may qualify for forgiveness by making 120 on-time payments while employed full-time in public service, if they have certain kinds of federal loans in a qualifying repayment plan
- [BenefitHub](#) state employee discount program
- [CafeWell](#) employee wellness program
- Excellent work-life programs, such as flexible schedules and more.
- Free ECO pass.

DESCRIPTION OF JOB:

HISTORY COLORADO COLLECTION:

History Colorado's collection of original documentary materials and artifacts are central to our mission "*History Colorado creates a better future for Colorado by inspiring wonder in our past.*"

History Colorado has been building and refining its permanent collection since 1879. The Collection is a tangible point of connection between the present and the past. It reflects who we are and what we value today, and records what will be of interest to Coloradans in the future. The value of the collection lies in the powerful stories it holds, and in its potential for aiding public awareness and understanding of the state's history through uses including: research, educational programming, exhibitions, loans, design inspiration and community building.

With a significant representation of the state's history before 1940, History Colorado is currently focused on targeted growth of contemporary and diverse subject matter gaps in the permanent collection, including architecture. Staff is particularly interested in unique materials that document and record the stories of Coloradans after 1940. Working with community partners, proactive collecting initiatives are focused on exploring, uncovering, capturing and adding important stories and voices missing from the permanent collection. Stories that help us gain a better understanding of our recent past, ever-changing present and unfolding future. For more information about the collection please visit: <https://www.historycolorado.org/research-learn>

History Colorado is seeking a full-time term-limited professional Associate Curator of Architecture to work with Colorado architects and the greater architecture community to add voices and collection materials to the permanent collection that aid in the understanding of Colorado

architecture. Equally important, the Associate Curator will focus on sharing those voices and stories in innovative ways across Colorado.

MAJOR RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES:

- Promoting the mission and goals of History Colorado through cultivating and sustaining relationships with community groups, colleague institutions, partner organizations, educators, and researchers.
- Working with the Executive Director & State Historic Preservation Officer, Senior Curator and other staff to collect materials from significant Colorado architects (with consideration for existing HC collections), and to make those materials available to the public.
- Working with the Senior Curator and other staff to establish regional charrette groups to identify and prioritize notable architects, projects, organizations and collections in Colorado.
- Supervising the Colorado Architecture Diversity Fellow.
- Working to build a meaningful collection for the 21st century through the pursuit of a purpose-driven acquisition program tied to institutional vision and goals and the updated History Colorado collection plan in collaboration with other curatorial departments. This includes exercising judgment and consulting with other curatorial staff about the long-term historical value of materials already in the permanent collection and new materials offered.
- Assisting with the processing of incoming architecture collections via existing History Colorado processing guidelines and public catalogs.
- Assisting with the management, acquisition, research, and interpretation of architectural material as part of the larger History Colorado Collection.
- Improving physical and intellectual control of and access to collection resources through processing and documentation in coordination with Collections Management and Registration.
- Using a variety of approaches to outreach including public presentations, education programs, scholarship, social media, responding to patron and scholarly inquiries, and collaboration with other departments and divisions to realize the collection's full potential as an interpretive and educational tool and a resource for understanding Colorado history.
- Working with History Colorado philanthropy staff on incoming and potential financial donations.
- Supervising contract staff, volunteers and interns.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS, SUBSTITUTIONS, CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT & APPEAL RIGHTS:

Master's degree in History, Art History, Architecture, Urban Planning, Architectural History, Historic Preservation or other relevant graduate degree with significant experience in the museum field and/or management of archival collections or other relevant discipline.

Also Required:

- Experience with community organizations and projects.
- Knowledge of museum and archival collection standards and best practices and experience with information management techniques and database systems used in museums.
- A minimum of 3 years of progressively responsible experience working with archival/museum collections or other collecting institutions with a public audience.
- Good communication skills, both written and oral, including evidence of writing and presenting public programs for a variety of audiences.
- Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with diverse community groups, colleagues, researchers, and partner organizations.
- Ability to work both independently with minimal supervision collaboratively in a team environment.
- Familiarity with collecting, preserving, and providing access to born digital materials.

PREFERRED CANDIDATE CAN SUCCESSFULLY DEMONSTRATE:

The successful candidate will be a forward thinking and dynamic individual who possesses a passion for preserving and sharing the past with a belief in the power of a collection to engage people in making personal connections to history through research, exhibit experiences, and educational programs. A creative imagination, the ability to recognize and deal with sensitive issues and diverse cultures, and a willingness to step outside the traditional curatorial role are highly desirable as are:

- Knowledge of Colorado history and the history of the American West.
- Knowledge of Colorado architecture and urban planning.
- Experience with community collaborations.
- Innovation in curatorial practice to engage audiences with collections in meaningful ways.
- Experience with strategic planning and the ability to manage a broad variety of tasks in response to varying time pressures with shifting priorities and constraints.
- Familiarity with museum and archive databases, cataloging standards and guidelines.

Additional requirements for this position:

- Ability to work occasional evenings and to travel by car or air, typically for periods of less than one week in duration.
- Ability to lift boxes of up to 40 lbs. from 14 ft. shelves while on a ladder
- The successful candidate must pass a criminal history background check prior to hire.

Interested applicants are asked to submit the following materials:

- Cover letter expressing interest in this position and outlining relevant experience.
- A resume or CV of education and employment history.
- Three professional references, including current phone, email addresses and affiliations.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:

If you are interested in finding meaningful work in public service, we invite you to consider the State of Colorado. To learn more about working for the State of Colorado and building a satisfying and rewarding career, visit [Welcome to Your Future in Colorado](#).

A pre-employment criminal background check will be conducted as part of the selection process. Felony convictions or conviction of crimes of moral turpitude or convictions of misdemeanors related to job duties may disqualify you from being considered for this position. Should your background check reveal any charges or convictions, it is your responsibility to provide the Human Resources Unit with an official disposition of any charges.

ADAAA Accommodations: Any person with a disability as defined by the ADA Amendments Act of 2008 (ADAAA) may be provided a reasonable accommodation upon request to enable the person to complete the application. To request an accommodation, please contact Dany McCoy (303) 866-2136 or email Dany.Mccoy@state.co.us.

HOW TO APPLY: Please submit an online application for this position at <https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/colorado>. Reach out to the Department Contact to apply using a paper application, including any supplemental questions. Failure to submit a complete and timely application may result in the rejection of your application. Applicants are responsible for ensuring that application materials are received by the appropriate Human Resources office before the closing date and time listed.

IF NOT APPLYING ON-LINE, SUBMIT APPLICATION TO:

Online is the preferred method of applying for this position.

DEPARTMENT CONTACT INFORMATION:

Dany.McCoy@state.co.us

METHODS OF APPOINTMENT: This position is not part of the classified state personnel system.

DEPARTMENT WEBSITE:

<http://www.coloradohistory.org>

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THE STATE OF COLORADO IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER.

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- * 1. What is the value of documenting Colorado's architectural history?
- * 2. What relevance do history museums and the collections they hold have for contemporary audiences?
- * 3. What is the role of a curator in the 21st century museum?
- * 4. History Colorado staff has been working together in response to the events that happened in 2020 to discuss as an institutional community the ways in which History Colorado can advance the work of anti-racism. These grounding virtues are the result of our collective process. Please go to the link below to see the virtues https://www.historycolorado.org/sites/default/files/media/document/2020/Anti-Racism_Grounding_Virtues.pdf And tell us, how have these guiding principles shown up in your previous work and /or how would you contribute to these virtues in your position at History Colorado?

* Required Question