

Deep Green Wilderness is seeking a full time **Chief Mate** for our Spring/Summer Sailing Season March 31<sup>st</sup> through October 31, 2018 onboard the sailing vessel *Orion*.

## **Job Description**

The Chief Mate is responsible for safe shipboard operations, teaching sailing curriculum, supervising students, boat chores and ensuring maintenance needs are addressed throughout the sailing season. Must love whales.

Deadline is January 16, 2018. However, expressing interest via phone or email sooner is encouraged.

### Duties include but are not limited to

- Ensure safe shipboard operations while underway
- Train and supervise crew, interns and students in safe and effective seamanship and maintenance projects
- Keep records of maintenance needs and ensure that projects are completed
- Teach effective and engaging sailing, seamanship and navigation lessons
- Work with the captain and education director to create and execute additional lessons and activities and improve existing curriculum
- Work with captain and deckhands to ensure the safety of all program participants and crew
- Line handling, small boat maintenance and handling, steering, small repairs, deck stowing, sea stowing and troubleshooting
- Working with students on a variety of tasks and activities including sailing, research, cooking, cleaning, games, shore excursions, camp setup etc.
- Communicate effectively with crew, chaperones and program participants
- Assist with film production underway and while onshore
- Assist with logistical and meal planning leading up to trips and underway
- Additional tasks as assigned by captain and education director

#### **Qualifications**

- USCG 50 Ton Inland Masters with Auxiliary sail preferred but not required
- A background in sailing and boat based education
- An enthusiastic interest in using a sailboat to engage students and the public with the natural world
- Strong comfort level working with students on the water
- Effective troubleshooting and problem solving skills
- Excellent verbal communication skills
- Flexibility and positive attitude
- Dedication to inclusiveness while working with students from a variety of backgrounds
- Interest and/or educational background in ecology, biology, environmental policy, marine science, or stewardship of marine ecosystems preferred

- Experience maintaining wooden sailing vessels
- A willingness to spend long periods of time living onboard in close quarters with other crew members and students
- A strong work ethic and willingness to help with all tasks involved in running the program smoothly
- A valid US Passport

### The Best Parts of this job

- Swim call in a glacial fjord in Desolation Sound
- Watching Orcas under sail at sunset with no other boats around
- Mentoring students as they gain confidence in their sailing abilities and watching those skills and abilities transfer to protecting the Salish Sea

### Challenges of the job

- Making space for self care on long voyages with limited personal space
- Small crew size makes each crew member responsible for every aspect of running the program

Compensation based on experience is \$1,400 a month. Days off are provided between trips. Orion will be available for living aboard. Food is included during programs.

## **About Deep Green Wilderness**

Mission: To use science and the sea to inspire environmental stewardship.

Our team of experienced scientists and sailors has been providing students with live-aboard marine science, sailing and environmental education experiences on the Salish Sea aboard the 82-year-old sailing vessel, *Orion*, since 2010. The *Orion* is an ideal venue for teaching sailing, conducting scientific research and building confidence within our students. All of our programs take place on the Salish Sea with the majority of our time spent sailing in the Puget Sound and San Juan Islands.

DGW's purpose is to help students build character through sailing while engaging them in environmental stewardship projects that teach and inspire them to apply marine science concepts and research to stewardship and policy issues.

# **Deep Green Wilderness Programs Include:**

**Summer Intensive Programs:** Multi-week voyages with teenagers learning marine ecology, conservation, marine policy and seamanship skills

**Overnight trips with school groups:** Up to one-week programs with classroom groups learning marine ecology, conservation, marine policy and seamanship skills.

**Film Production:** Producing films with a conservation message and marine ecology content. Find out more at <a href="https://www.rightwhalefilm.com">www.theunknownsea.com</a> and <a href="https://www.rightwhalefilm.com">https://www.rightwhalefilm.com</a>

**Festivals and events:** Engaging the public about the Salish Sea through film screenings, tabling, and events

**Day Sails:** Natural History outings with a variety of groups

<sup>\*\*</sup>After hiring a pre-employment drug test and enrollment in a random drug-testing program is required by the United States Coast Guard.

*Orion*'s homeport is in Seattle, Washington and she spends her cruising season in the inland waters of Washington State and British Columbia.

To learn more about Deep Green Wilderness visit <a href="http://www.deepgreenwilderness.com">http://www.deepgreenwilderness.com</a>

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