



# *Exhibit Design Internship*

AT THE RICHARDSON-BATES HOUSE MUSEUM - ONLY SPRING

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## **About the Museum**

The Richardson-Bates House was built in two stages as a private residence for Maxwell Richardson, a local attorney, real estate broker and two-term mayor of Oswego. The house was completed in 1889 and was a home to four generations of the Richardson family. Today the Richardson-Bates House remains one of the most intact house museums in New York State, which also features an extensive archival collection and exhibit space documenting the history of Oswego County.

While the rooms on the first floor of the house museum rarely change due to their period-accurate status, the historical society rotates exhibits on the second floor every year. This internship would entail composing the entirety of an exhibit for the museum's temporary gallery on the second floor. See the section "responsibilities" for more information.

## **Responsibilities**

- Develop a comprehensive exhibit plan with the assistance of the museum assistant and Board President; includes a timeline with deadlines
- Select appropriate artifacts from the historical society's collection, and conduct research to create an exhibit narrative
- **Assist Museum Assistant with designing all signage in the exhibit**
- Take thorough records and photos of exhibit; promote on social media

## **Qualifications**

- Junior or Senior class standing at SUNY Oswego; History majors or minors, Museum Studies minors preferred
- Available to work 8 - 10 hours per week, for a total of 120 hours
- An eye for detail, and commitment to thorough work

**This is an unpaid internship. Any interested applicants can send a resume and statement of interest to Evie Frederiksen at [assistant@rbhousemuseum.org](mailto:assistant@rbhousemuseum.org).**