



The Galiano Conservancy Association (GCA) seeks a highly motivated individual for the position of **Ecotourism Technician**. This 16-week full-time internship offers engaging work and an opportunity to gain career skills in the beautiful setting of Galiano Island from May through August.

Ecotourism Technician

- Start date:** May 2, 2022
- Wage:** \$18.00 / hour + 4% Vacation Pay
- Hours:** 35 hours / week (*on average*), typically Mon-Fri, 9am-4pm
- Anticipated End Date:** August 27, 2022
- Duration:** 16 weeks equivalent (*560 hours over 4-month period*)

Job Details: As the Ecotourism Technician, you will work both in the field and in the office, both independently and directly with the Executive Director and other experienced Galiano Conservancy staff on a variety of projects related to ecotourism and the promotion of the Millard Learning Centre and Mid-Island Protected Areas Network. Primarily, you will be responsible for coordinating the Tranquility Bluff Destination Trail project, including installation of outstanding trail infrastructure and promotion of the new trail through social media once completed. This position involves an average of five days of work each week, based out of the Millard Learning Centre (10825 Porlier Pass Road) on Galiano Island.

Tasks and responsibilities may include:

- Assisting with the completion and maintenance of trails
- Designing and coordinating the production and installation of interpretive trail signage
- Researching and coordinating the purchase/construction and installation of trailhead infrastructure



- Promoting Millard Learning Centre trails and public amenities through social media, print, and email
- Coordinating the GCA's social media presence
- Improving the GCA website through content creation and copywriting
- Assisting with the GCA's ecological restoration and permaculture activities
- Working as part of a team with restoration ecologists and environmental interpreters
- Identifying native and exotic species, including species at risk
- Participating as a resource person for environmental education programs
- Group facilitation with children, youth and adults
- Propagation of native plants in a nursery
- Public relations at local events

Skills and experience gained may include:

- Project management, including budgeting and reporting
- Understanding the effects of recreational activities on ecosystems
- Experience organizing and facilitating groups and public events
- Trail design and construction, including rockwork and boardwalk construction
- Working in remote and rugged field conditions
- Using a Global Positioning System (GPS) for mapping, navigation and data collection
- Using GIS (ArcGIS Pro) for mapping and data analysis
- Working as part of a team
- Graphic design using Adobe Suite and/or Canva
- Communications skills including oral presentations and writing for print and online (social media)

Requirements:

This position will require physical, social, and intellectual work. The candidate must demonstrate a capacity for leadership, the ability to work effectively both as part of a team and independently, and a willingness to learn and engage themselves in hard work. Applicants must be prepared to move to Galiano for May through August, spend long hours outside doing physical labour, and be available for occasional work on weekends. The applicant must have current Standard First Aid, or be willing to obtain it before coming to Galiano. Position is pending wage subsidy funding, and to meet the funding criteria, applicants must be between the ages of 15 and 30 and be either Canadian citizens, permanent residents, or a person with refugee status eligible to work in Canada. Because the Galiano Conservancy conducts activities at a variety of locations throughout Galiano Island, a class-5 driver's license is required and access to a reliable personal vehicle/transportation is strongly preferred.

Assets:

BIPOC applicants and applicants with a connection to Galiano Island will be given preference; please identify yourself in your cover letter if applicable. A background in Environmental Studies, Biology, Geography, Restoration of Natural Systems, Conservation, Forestry, Environmental Education or another



complimentary field is desirable. Direct experience in any of the skills mentioned for this position is an asset, particularly project management, graphic design, and/or construction. Experience with ecological restoration, permaculture, and/or plant propagation are also strong assets.

To apply: Submit a cover letter and resume to jobs@galianoconservancy.ca by midnight on Monday, January 31st 2022 with the job title* in the email subject line. Please ensure cover letter and resume files follow these naming conventions:

SURNAME_FIRSTNAME-CoverLetter.pdf

SURNAME_FIRSTNAME-Resume.pdf

**If you are applying for more than one of the [job opportunities](#) currently available, please submit separate emails; you can choose to submit the same cover letter for all desired positions, or provide custom cover letters for individual positions.*

Due to the volume of applications received, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

Shortlisted candidates will be sent interview invitations by February 15th. Although we prefer to interview applicants in-person, remote video conference (Zoom) interviews can take place as an alternative for candidates who are unable to be physically present.

Thank you for your interest, and we look forward to receiving your application.

Additional information:

To learn more about the Galiano Conservancy Association, please visit www.galianoconservancy.ca.

Accommodations: The successful candidate, if not already a resident of Galiano, is responsible for securing rental housing on Galiano Island from May through August, as well as for all transportation costs when commuting to and from work (10825 Porlier Pass Road). The Galiano Conservancy will help identify rental housing opportunities through our local contacts.

COVID-19 Pandemic: The Galiano Conservancy is committed to providing a safe working environment, and will modify the job activities and working arrangement (e.g., work from home) based on the public health orders, and in consultation with the successful candidate. Currently, all staff are fully vaccinated, and masks are required to be worn when working indoors, or when working in close proximity with others outdoors.

If you have specific questions not addressed here, please contact our office at 250-539-2424.