Converge Media Journalism Intern

About Northwest Folklife:
Since 1972, Northwest Folklife (NWFL) has been creating opportunities for all to celebrate, share, and participate in the evolving cultural traditions of the Pacific Northwest. As a cultural arts & heritage organization, we are extremely committed to equity, diversity and inclusion. Therefore, we seek candidates who offer relevant skills and knowledge with diverse cultural perspectives, grounded in the desire to serve community. This internship is hosted by Converge Media in collaboration with NWFL.

About Converge Media:
Join Converge Media as a paid intern and gain practical education, professional experience and have a great time working alongside journalists, producers, and content creators. You will work on stories, be assigned a mentor, and learn about the ever-changing world of journalism and media. Our company: Converge Media is a leading producer of culturally relevant content in Seattle and across the Pacific Northwest. We create videos, editorial and creative writing, podcasts, and local news coverage curated specifically for an urban audience. We believe that the Black community deserves authentic representation, a focus on our community’s issues, and equitable access to elected officials, leadership, and governmental information. Founded by Seattle Central District natives Omari Salisbury and Erik Kalligraphy, from day one, Converge Media has been a platform to amplify not only our own original content but also the content of independent African-American creators throughout the region, providing them with access to our engaged audience that is interested in their voices and perspectives.

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<td>DIRECT REPORTS:</td>
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<td>HOURS:</td>
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* The Converge Media Intern
As a Converge Media intern you can expect a fast-paced start-up environment where you get to explore the many exciting areas of modern journalism. In the Converge Media newsroom, your voice matters and you will get to share your perspective with our audience through our blog in your own column.

Intern Responsibilities with Converge Media:

- Design create and present a column that tells the story of the multiple layers of your community heritage in your own monthly column.
- Develop familiarity with photojournalism tools to support your column.
- Create and upload content for The Converge Media’s digital platforms.
- Develop familiarity with grammarly, squarespace, mailchimp and google suite.

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• Support fellow interns and staff with administrative tasks: transcription, posting articles, and writing newsletters and social media captions.
• Meet with Converge Media team on a bi-weekly basis in various formats (videochat, phone, or in person as needed*).

All Interns Must:
• Maintain effective communication channels with Converge Mediastaff.
• Perform other duties as assigned.

Coordination Assistant Responsibilities with NWFL:
• Complete Internship experience surveys
• Attend bi-weekly check-in (In person or virtual)
• Other duties as assigned.

Qualifications & Skills:
• Curiosity and passion for learning and collaborative work.
• Experience successfully working or playing in multi-ethnic communities.
• Passion to both explore and share—at your discretion—elements of one’s ethnic, or cultural, or community heritage.
• Applicants must be willing and able to perceive and serve the needs of our community’s youth.
• Organizational skills and a willingness to hold oneself and others accountable to commitments.
• Musical backgrounds are welcomed but not required. Passion for at least one style of music is required.
• Applicants should be willing to adapt, build community, and promote cross-cultural exchanges of stories and heritage.
• Applicants must be committed to values of equity, anti-racism, and environmental justice.

To Apply:
Please submit an introductory statement discussing the following:
1) Who you are, what are your interests and skills
2) What excites you about taking part in the Converge Media’s internship?
3) Complete the Creative Force Intern Intake form found on the website,
4) Your resume is optional
Submit this to internships@nwfolklife.org. Applicants must submit their applications no later than March 17th, 2021. When applying please put the SUBJECT LINE: Converge Media Journalism Internship.

All applicants are considered for all positions without regard to race, religion, color, sex, gender, sexual orientation, pregnancy, age, national origin, ancestry, physical/mental disability, or any other protected classification, in accordance with applicable federal, state, and local laws. By applying for this position, you are seeking to join a team of hardworking people dedicated to consistently delivering outstanding service to accomplish Northwest Folklife’s vision and mission. Equal access to programs, services, and employment is available to all qualified persons. Those applicants requiring accommodation to complete the application and/or interview process should contact a management representative. Northwest Folklife is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.

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