

Dear Potential applicant:

Thank you for responding to the Smithsonian Marine Ecosystems Exhibit's announcement for a full-time contract aquarist. This letter is intended to clarify the process for applying for the Smithsonian Exhibit's full-time contract aquarist opportunity.

The Smithsonian requires all applicants to submit a proposal letter as directed in the "Request for Quotes for part-time aquarist 2024" document. While this form may seem daunting, only sections I – IV are relevant when applying, along with Section VIII, "Information to be submitted with quotes" which provides a list of what should be included in an acceptable proposal letter.

The "Proposal letter guidelines" document, describes what should be included in your proposal letter. Create your own proposal letter and be sure to include the compensation you desire for performing the duties described in the "SOW" (Statement of Work) document.

I look forward to receiving your proposal letter and application packet by September 8, 2023. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions. Thanks again for applying.

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