# Rancho Mirage Library and Observatory

## Volunteer Job Description

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**Job Description:**

Docents participate in a wide range of activities for the visiting public such as leading tours, ushering for both day and night programming, and representing the Observatory at external community events.

**Time Commitment:**

A minimum 4 – 6 hours per month

**Qualifications:**

The qualities of the desired docent include:

- Interest in astronomy (need not be an expert)
- Willingness to learn and ensure safe operation of facility
- Ability to communicate clearly and courteously with visitors
- Ability to ensure safety of equipment
- Comfort with simple facility maintenance
- Ability to commit to scheduled hours

**Training:**

Will include several shadowing tours, studying of observatory systems and specific astronomical objects.

**Evaluation:**

Continuing Review