

# ALLAN BROOKS NATURE CENTRE

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES 2024/2025

All volunteers at the Allan Brooks Nature Centre (ABNC) are required to obtain a security clearance check for vulnerable persons (at no cost) and adhere to a Code of Conduct. All training is provided onsite. Young volunteers are welcome to help out with parental supervision & guidance.

Volunteer Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Volunteer Email (PRINT CLEARLY): \_\_\_\_\_ Volunteer Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check off which of the roles below that you are interested in and return to ABNC OR email your selections to [Volunteer@abnc.ca](mailto:Volunteer@abnc.ca)

Project Name	Date	Time	Details of Volunteer Role	I'M INTERESTED!!
<b>Groundhog Day Event</b>	Feb 2, 2024	9-1pm	Assist ABNC staff with event set-up/tear-down and with the activities for the day.	
<b>Worker Bees SPRING - NEW SEASON SET-UP!</b>	Early April 2024	9-1pm	Season opening set-up of site: Putting out all benches, signage, plus small cleaning tasks.	
<b>Grassland Warriors - Noxious Weeds &amp; grassland maintenance</b>	Weekly from April-October in 2024	Mornings are recommended	Help monitor the grasslands and protect it from invasive weed species (Noxious weeds); help watering plants and newly planted bushes.	
<b>General Events in 2024</b> (BC Wildlife Park, Orchestra etc....)	Anytime from April-October in 2024	Weekend daytime OR weekday evenings	Help with parking, tickets, interpretive centre & guest assistance for events such as: <b>Summer Solstice, BC Wildlife Park, Okanagan Symphony Orchestra &amp; MORE!</b> <b>FREE event tickets x2 for event volunteers!!</b>	
<b>The Raptors</b> (annual visit from Duncan, BC)	One week long - usually in July	Mornings, afternoons, evenings	Help out during the daily raptor shows with either ticketing, guest assistance and keeping rules in place, Interpretive centre crowd control, front desk coverage and gift shop sales & MORE!	
<b>Vernon Children's Festival</b>	May 24 & 25	9-11:30am & 11:30am-2pm	Attend the Vernon Children's Festival for one or two days, to rep ABNC and the demo the nature trailer. Show nature props and answer questions.	
<b>Front Desk/Visitor Services roles</b>	Scheduled as needed	9-3:30pm (centre hours)	Monitor the front desk, answer phones and sell merch from the gift shop. Also give a quick tour of the centre's Habitat and Discovery rooms.	
<b>Polson Night Markets</b>	Friday nights in July or August	4-8pm	Help the staff at the ABNC booth, by demonstrating animal facts with our animal props, and be EXCITED about events etc... .	
<b>Outreach Events &amp; Markets</b>	Various dates all year	Various times – short shifts available	Be a rep at the ABNC booth at various chamber of commerce events and other outreach markets (ie: Senior's Expo, Canada Day in Polson Park etc...).	
<b>FUNtastic Baseball Tournament</b>	July	10-2pm	Attend the FUNtastic Baseball tournament for one day as a rep of ABNC & perform animal demos.	
<b>Summer Camp Assistant Volunteers</b>	All of August	9-Noon & Noon-3pm	Help our education staff keep an eye on the kids and be an extra set of hands.	
<b>Salmon Education Field Trip Leaders</b> – near Coldstream Park	Oct 3-Oct 29 (weekdays)	9-Noon OR Noon-3pm	Take on one section of educating small kids about the Salmon Lifecycle, Salmon stream walk, or Watershed Model!	
<b>Worker Bees FALL</b> - End of season cleanup	November 1	9-2pm	Season closing clean-up of site: Collecting benches and signage; small cleaning and painting tasks.	
<b>Natural Sensory Item Collections</b> for Spring 2025	Due by Spring 2025	NA	Collect natural building materials (ie: tree cookies, branches, rocks etc...) - Anything you think the kids would have fun building with! Need 30-ish of each.	