



MOUNT MADONNA

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GENERAL TEMPLE SUPPORT & RITUALS TRAINING

Experience creative self-expression and rich connections in an environment where heart and meaning are a part of everyday life! Mount Madonna Center is offering a unique opportunity for an inspired and motivated individual interested in serving within a renowned retreat center and multigenerational intentional yoga community situated on 380 acres of beautiful redwoods, rolling meadows, and scenic vistas overlooking the Monterey Bay.

Mount Madonna is a center for learning that offers practices for living for the sincere seekers, thought leaders, retreat goers, teachers and students who desire an experience at the source. Since 1978, we have been honored to host both luminaries and practitioners in spiritual and religious traditions, artistic endeavors, social justice, and conscious business, among many others. Our residential community of practice and related activities have been inspired by the yoga teachings and example of master yogi Baba Hari Dass.

Mount Madonna is committed to diversity, equity, inclusion, and belonging and strives to create a culture that empowers and supports individuals to bring their full and authentic self to the workplace.

We look forward to hearing from you!

TITLE: General Temple Support & Rituals Training

POSITION TYPE: Part-time, 15-18 hours per week

LOCATION: Mount Madonna Center - 445 Summit Road, Watsonville, CA 95076

RATE OF PAY: \$17.00 to \$18.00, depending on experience

REPORTS TO: Temple Manager

WORK ARRANGEMENT: Daily commute

POSITION SUMMARY: Sankat Mochan Hanuman Temple sits in the heart of Mount Madonna Center and has served as a place of devotion and peace for over 20 years. This role includes assisting in the daily operation and maintenance of the Temple physical grounds and working with the Temple Team to support a safe and welcoming environment on busy Temple *Darshan* (observation) days. This role also includes learning and helping with live streaming and sound system needs of temple events, and training and performing Temple rituals.

CORE RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Participate in cleaning of the Temple site including carpeted areas near *Vedi*, walkways and sitting areas; trash removal, bathroom cleaning, etc.
- Help with seasonal landscape needs — mowing, weed whip, etc.
- Assist with small maintenance and development projects as needed
- Learn and help with live streaming and sound system needs of temple events: ceremonies, talks, classes, concerts, dance performances, theatrical presentations, etc.
- Assist in processing donations for weekly deposits
- Assist with Temple administrative needs such as tracking and ordering operational supplies and/or reporting inventory to other staff to ensure that the Temple supplies are properly stocked
- On Temple *Darshan* days, collaborate with Temple staff, the Volunteer Coordinator, and Mount Madonna Operations and gate staff to ensure adequate and organized coverage in all needed areas: *pujari* (temple officiant) tending and *arati* (ritual of light), parking, monitoring, cafe assistance, *prasad* (blessed, accepted offering) distribution, and other areas
- Help with coordination between Operations, other areas, and Temple staff on events hosted by Hanuman Fellowship, Mount Madonna, and the Temple
- Temple Rituals Support & Training:
 - Train in the basic practices of tending the Temple, facilitating offerings, and distribution of *prasad* and giving *tilak* to visitors

- Train in the practice of *puja* (ceremonial offering) and *yajna* (ancient Vedic ritual), including preparation of *Vedi*, *yantras*, etc.
- Support singing / chanting during *arati* and temple ceremonies
- Support weekly flower purchasing, setup, storage and decorations
- Additional duties as assigned

QUALIFICATIONS & SKILLS:

- Able to perform basic landscaping and cleaning tasks
 - Must be comfortable lifting up to 40 lbs.
 - Must be comfortable using Google Suite (Gmail, Google Calendar, Google Drive) and basic online editing softwares
 - Able to work together with others on the Temple team
 - Interest and aptitude for being trained in *puja* and *yajna*
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BENEFITS:

- Forty hours of paid sick time per year
- Employee Sponsored Retirement Savings Plan after 3 months of employment
- Employees who commute receive one meal per day while working onsite, and reduced overnight accommodations when work-related
- Reduced rates on massage
- Access to:
 - Meditation, asana (postures), and yoga philosophy classes
 - Walking/hiking trails with broad vistas, redwood forests, ponds and wildlife
 - Seasonal retreats and programs
 - Community events
 - Cafe and bookstore
 - Community garden and chickens
 - Hot tub

APPLICATION: Send your resume and cover letter to work@mountmadonna.org.

The Hanuman Fellowship dba Mount Madonna Center maintains a policy of providing equal opportunity in all aspects of employment.

a) It is the policy of Hanuman Fellowship to ensure equal employment opportunity for all persons regardless of race, color, religion, age, disability, national origin, creed, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation or any other non-merit factor.

b) It is the policy of Hanuman Fellowship to ensure equal treatment, including but not limited to recruitment, hiring, promotion, discipline, compensation, assignment, benefits, training, furloughs and rehiring.