



Job Description: Museum Café Associate

The Swedish American Museum is seeking part-time Museum Café Associates to work in our Café. Both weekdays and weekends, Tuesday through Sunday, six to seven hours a day.

As an educational hub for Swedish culture and the history of immigration to Chicago, the Swedish American Museum has been active for over 48 years in the heart of Andersonville, a traditionally Swedish area on the north side of Chicago. It was the dream of Kurt Mathiasson, one of the leaders of the Andersonville community and a Swedish immigrant, to preserve the Swedish-American heritage in Chicago. In 1976, the Museum was founded in a small storefront—and ten years later, our Museum moved across the street to its current location, a former Swedish hardware store at 5211 N. Clark St. Through our exhibits, programs and collection—the Swedish American Museum seeks to interpret the immigrant experience for children and adults, and promote an appreciation of contemporary Swedish-American culture.

In 2017 we purchased the building at 5217 N Clark so we could open a Café with home-baked Swedish treats.

The Café is located on the first floor and connects the Museum to the Kerstin Andersson Museum Store. The Associate will sell and serve baked goods, prepare sandwiches to order, and other items offered in the Café. The Associate will, after training, be able to work with little supervision. It is important that the person interested in working at the Café is dependable, personable, and represents the Swedish American Museum in a professional manner at all times.

It is a great opportunity to learn more about the Swedish-American community, the Museum and the Andersonville community.

Food and/or Retail experience is preferred. Computer knowledge is required. Food Handler or Food Manager Certificate is a plus.

The Museum Café is open Tuesday - Friday 10 a.m. – 3 p.m., Saturday and Sunday 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. Additional hours are planned for the fall and during the holidays.

Please email resume and cover letter, including days available to work, to Executive Director Karin Moen Abercrombie at kabercrombie@samac.org.