Division of Mammals Information for Volunteers

The Division of Mammal at the Museum of Southwestern Biology has limitless volunteer opportunities!

Who can volunteer?

- people 13 or older
- people younger than 13, if accompanied by a parent of guardian
- college students exploring opportunities in biology
- retired people looking to try something new
- high school students fulfilling internship requirements
- everybody!

What is there to do?

- make museum study skins
- process mammal skeletal material
- help manage our dermestarium
- help curate newly acquired specimens
- data entry and management
- and possible opportunities for field work!

How much can I volunteer?

- we request a 60 hour commitment, to be completed within about four months. That works out be about
 4 hours per week
- after the 60 hour commitment is complete, volunteers are more than welcome to stick around, with no further commitment
- our staff is available to work with volunteers Tuesday through Friday, 9am 4pm
- volunteers should set up a regular schedule, within the above time constraints

How do I get started?

- contact our staff coordinator, Adrienne
- if you have never visited the Division before, we'll arrange a time for you to stop by and get a feel for what we do
- your volunteering will begin with a 2-hour training and orientation session
- after that, you will learn as you go!

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