

Breaks Interstate Park

Job Title: Rock Climbing Guide & Programs Manager

Location: Breaks Interstate Park–Breaks, VA

Term: Seasonal Full Time, May-October

About Us:

Breaks Interstate Park is situated along the Russel Fork River on the border of Virginia and Kentucky near the towns of Haysi, Va and Elkhorn City, Ky. Breaks Park boasts miles of hiking trails, beautiful overlooks, white water kayaking, ziplining, and overnight lodging. Recently opened to rock climbing and now host to over 350 routes, Breaks Park is seeking to further grow this resource through guided trips and infrastructure development

Position Description:

This seasonal position will work with Breaks Park management and the Central Appalachia Climbers Coalition to continue development of the park's rock climbing programs. The primary focus of this position is to provide high quality guided climbing and rappelling experiences to park guests. These experiences may include novice to experienced climbing and rappelling trips, educational classes, and community climbing events. Along side the climbing guide role this position will work with supervisors to further develop climbing infrastructure through trail maintenance and development, signage development and installation, media and marketing, and volunteer and community interaction. While not a requirement this position will have the opportunity to live onsite at the park in staff quarters for the duration of the position.

Responsibilities:

- Plan and lead guided rock climbing experiences for park guests
- Further develop climbing infrastructure: trail maintenance, signage
- Generate content for social media and marketing pertaining to climbing programs
- Work with Central Appalachia Climbers Coalition to continue program development in line with established climbing management plan
- Assist park with climbing and other outdoor recreation related activities specifically including zip line tours and related required training.

Requirements:

- Competent rock climber with over 3 years of Lead rope climbing
- AMGA single-pitch certified by start date
- Wilderness First Aid or similar certification
- Excellent personal and communication skills
- Capable of challenging physical activity and labor (carrying over 50 pound pack and doing intensive trail work in challenging terrain)

Base Compensation:

- \$13.50/ hour
- Free lodging on site
- Certification Reimbursement

Send Resumes including climbing background, and inquiries to climbcentralappalachia@gmail.com & abradley@breakspark.com