





2021 VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

November 13, 2021 – February 21, 2022





















INDOOR FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT

At the Hilton Niagara Falls Fallsview Hotel & Suites

The OPG Winter Festival of Lights is enhancing this year's Festival with exciting entertainment on an indoor stage, including live music, magicians, story time, mascot visits and more.

We're looking for high school students and adults who want to get involved in this community event. A variety of volunteer positions are available with flexible levels of commitment throughout the Festival season.

Event Dates:

- Friday and Saturday nights from November 13 February 12
- Nightly from December 17 January 2 (excluding Dec 24, 25, 31)
- Nightly from February 18 20 (Family Day Weekend)

Volunteer Time:

5:30pm to 9:30pm







STORY TIME AREA

Share your love of reading with families!

Each evening, three story times will take place, featuring beloved holiday and winter-themed tales. Story time will take place on the second floor of the Hilton Fallsview Hotel with a magical winter backdrop.

Volunteer Positions:

- Story Time Reader (1 per night)
- Story Time Animators (2-4 per night)
 - Costumes available to enhance the experience of story time for children and their families

Book titles include:

- Frosty the Snowman
- The Night Before Christmas
- How the Grinch Stole Christmas
- The Polar Express







FAMILY GAMES AREA

The indoor winter wonderland features oversized games for families to connect over a friendly competition while they experience the live entertainment and story times at the Hilton Fallsview Hotel.

Volunteer Positions:

- Game Attendants (2 per night)
 - Setting up game area
 - Keeping game area tidy
 - Sanitizing game pieces throughout the evening







ENTERTAINMENT STAGE AREA

The main attraction for the Festival at the Hilton Fallsview Hotel is the live entertainment on the OPG Winter Festival of Lights stage. Located in the lobby of the hotel, the stage will feature a variety of family-friendly entertainers, including musicians, magicians, dancers, and more.

Volunteer Positions:

- Visitor Experience Attendants (4 per night)
 - Monitoring the flow of traffic in the lobby, directing guests to the second floor for story time and games
 - Supporting entertainers to keep guests off the stage
 - Answering questions about the OPG Winter Festival of Lights (FAQ document will be provided to volunteers)







MISTY KIDS

The Misty Kids are the OPG Winter Festival of Lights goodwill ambassadors and furry friends. All five mascots love to be silly and take photos with guests enjoying the Festival. The mascots will interact with guests at the Festival's indoor entertainment area at the Hilton Fallsview Hotel. Mascots may also visit outdoor locations on Murray Street and Queen Victoria Place in Niagara Parks, based on weather conditions.

Mascots do not speak and will be partnered with volunteers to help with walk around.

Volunteer Positions:

We are looking for 3-4 volunteers for each mascot.

- Crystal Bunny Height requirement: 5'2" to 5'6" tall
- Cool Cat Height requirement: 5'8" to 6'
- Flurry Height requirement: 5' to 5'4"
- Flake Height requirement: 5' to 5'4"
- Chilly Dog Height requirement: 5'6" to 5'9"
- Mascot Helpers (2-3 per night)
 - Assist mascots in getting costumes on/off
 - Walking around with mascots







SANTA MEET & GREET

We're looking for jolly volunteers for the OPG Winter Festival of Lights Santa Meet & Greet events. Guests can say hello to Santa and have their photo taken for free by a professional photographer on select dates.

Dates: December 4, 11, 18, 19, 20 (weather dependent)

Time: 5:30-8:30pm (includes time for getting in/out of costume – event is 6-8pm)

Location: Outdoors at Niagara Parks' Queen Victoria Place

Volunteer Positions:

- Santa's Helpers (2-3 per night)
 - Assist with meet and greet, entertain children
 - Costumes will be provided







SIGN-UP TO VOLUNTEER

If you or someone you know is interested in volunteering with the OPG Winter Festival of Lights, please connect with us today!

Volunteer opportunities are a great way for friends, family and co-workers to give back to the community and get into the holiday spirit.

- All volunteers will receive an OPG Winter Festival of Lights shirt to wear at the event
- High school volunteers will receive a Volunteer Recognition Letter outlining their volunteer hours (received at the end of the Festival in February 2022)
- All events and entertainment will be presented following Public Health guidelines, including face masks required in indoor spaces.

To volunteer or to learn more, please contact Brian at WFOL@niagarafallstourism.com



