

## **Calumet-Keweenaw Sportsmen's Club Junior Ranger Angler Program Contractor Opportunity**

### **About us:**

#### Calumet-Keweenaw Sportsmen's Club

Since 1946, the Calumet-Keweenaw Sportsmen's Club (CKSC) has been a tireless advocate for fishing and watershed conservation, outdoor education, improved hunting and fishing opportunities, and protecting public access rights in the Keweenaw. For years the Club has worked with Keweenaw National Historical Park (KNHP) to promote and participate in a variety of fishing programs across the Keweenaw, all for the benefit of youth to get excited about going outside, exploring, and learning through fishing and other events. Due to the success of this partnership, CKSC applied for and received a National Park Foundation grant for a Junior Angler Contractor to assist KNHP in organizing, developing, and creating content for these fishing events and educational outreach. Working to relate the cultural and historic stories of the Keweenaw to the abundance of fishing opportunities.

#### Keweenaw National Historical Park

The Interpretation and Education Division at Keweenaw National Historical Park (KNHP) strives to provide memorable and meaningful learning and recreational experiences, foster development of a personal stewardship ethic, and broaden public support for preserving park resources. We work with park partners (Keweenaw Heritage Sites (KHS), local municipalities, Michigan Technological University (MTU), CKSC, etc.) to share the nationally significant story of copper in the Keweenaw Peninsula of Michigan.

### **Position description:**

For 2025, CKSC in partnership with KNHP, plans to continue youth fishing programming here in the Copper Country bringing fishing opportunities to our various communities. This is a unique partnership between the CKSC and KNHP that utilizes youth fishing opportunities and education to bring together the varied communities of Michigan's famed copper country. A combination of fishing day camps, fishing clinics, fishing discovery events, and youth fishing derby(s) bring together our diverse communities, providing new/improved skill sets for young & old, as well as a connection to the 9,000+ year mining history of the area. The contractor will assist with the planning, coordination, and implementation of programming to meet this goal.

There is one opening for this Junior Angler Contractor position for the summer of 2025. The position will:

- Through fishing programs, highlight KNHP and KHS partners, encouraging further exploration by kids and their families.
- Utilize knowledge of the Keweenaw's history, fishing, and working with youth to create engaging family programming.
- Ensure materials produced conform with professional expectations.

### **Duties include:**

- Tabling, information sharing, and preparing/conducting fishing related activities for the 20th Annual CKSC Kid's Fishing Derby, and the 3rd Annual KBIC Fishing Day.

- Work with CKSC and KNHP to plan and coordinate Junior Angler Beginner Fishing Clinics/Camps, Fishing Discovery Educational Programs, and Fish with a Ranger events.
  - Correspond and coordinate with representatives from partner sites and organizations to develop a schedule of Junior Ranger Angler activities for 2025
  - Assist in youth registration
  - Research historical and cultural connections to selected sites
  - Development of programming for the events
  - Participate in program implementation
  - Collect and document fishing programs activities (for example SOPs/lesson plans, photographs, video, stats, reports)
  - Create social media post and other marketing materials
- Develop a final report (review of the project, participation statistics, ideas for improvement) and make a presentation to CKSC on the programming and its impact.
- Assist with visitor center staffing
- Develop and deliver pop-up programs, and other materials for outreach and education.
- Integrate KNHP interpretive themes into the interpretive aspects of the learning resources regarding the history of the region and the story of the Keweenaw.
- Ensure learning resources utilize engaging, age-appropriate teaching techniques to provide a fun and inspiring interaction with the topics and materials.

**Benefits:**

- This is a W-9/1099 contract position
- \$24 per hour for 14 weeks (560 total hours work).
- Flexible work schedule (approximately 14 weeks with an average of 40 hours per week, tentative timeframe of May 18<sup>th</sup> to August 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025).
- Assigned NPS mentor.
- Hands-on experience.
- Career preparation and ongoing support.
- Opportunity to make a big impact!

**Eligibility:**

- Must be at least 18 years of age.
- Must be a US Citizen.
- Must be able to pass a federal background check.
- Experience with standard Microsoft office programs.
- Must be able to communicate and collaborate in a variety of settings.
- Must be adaptable and have capacity to work in a fluid environment.
- Must have strong problem-solving and decision-making abilities.
- Must be able to work independently as well as part of a team.
- May be required to work occasional evenings and weekends.
- Position is expected to begin in May. The duration of the position will be subject to workload and is not to exceed 560 hours. The position is expected to be completed in August.

**How to apply:**

Please submit the following:

- Cover letter letting us know how your skills could best be used in this position and what you hope to learn from your experience.

- Resume.
- 3 professional references.

**Where to send applications and/or questions:**

Materials and questions should be submitted by email to [cksportsmensclub@gmail.com](mailto:cksportsmensclub@gmail.com), with Junior Ranger Angler Program in the subject line.

**Application deadline:**

Applications must be received by 5:00pm, Wednesday, April 23, 2025 to be considered. Applications received after that date are accepted only if the position has not been filled.

**Next steps:**

Applications will be reviewed, and applicant interviews will take place. The selected individual will need to complete a background check prior to onboarding. The Junior Angler Contractor will participate in Keweenaw NHP's seasonal staff training in May.