

Charles M. Robinson Exhibit Intern

The Charles M. Robinson Exhibit Intern will spearhead the research component of an expansive exhibit which will open in summer 2019 at The Branch Museum of Architecture and Design. This exhibit will celebrate the work and influence of extraordinary architect and planner Charles M. Robinson (CMR). Robinson was one of the most prolific architects to ever work in Virginia, and his work spans the Commonwealth from Harrisonburg in the Shenandoah Valley to Norfolk in the east and Arlington in the north. Many times, he is unknown by name, but Robinson's work helped shape the city of Richmond as well as education in Virginia, and many of his buildings still stand. This exhibition will shed light on Mr. Robinson's enduring and influential work and will inspire interest in better understanding his legacy.

Responsibilities:

- Conduct on-site and off-site research about CMR buildings, illustrations, and plans
- Create and maintain building / object files and records
- Write about the work of CMR and his influence throughout Virginia
- Develop and steward relationships with appropriate community partners
- Give recommendations on the scope and nature of the final CMR exhibit
- Other duties as assigned

Goals: To complete the research necessary to execute the exhibition.

For the exhibition to successfully reveal Robinson's work to a larger public, research is the critical first step, exploring the breadth and depth of his work around the Commonwealth. Resources reputedly abound, and an able researcher will explore the possibilities of existing resources that might be used for the exhibition.

Requirements: Highly detail-oriented and responsible. Must be a self-starter with the ability to work independently on multi-day projects. Familiarity with museums and curatorial work is a plus, as is experience conducting academic research and writing reports for internal and external readers. Graduate student preferred.

Schedule: Flexible schedule during normal Museum hours. Some attendance at special weekend or evening events is expected.

Time Frame: 2 – 4 months to completion, can begin immediately.