

## Potential Internship/Volunteer Opportunities

You will have to see if they are accepting volunteers. I imagine (in fact, I know) most of them will, but not all of them. You will have to do some legwork on your own! I just did some limited internet checking/made some calls and found the following:

### **In San Jose:**

#### **Happy Hollow Park and Zoo**

<http://www.hhpz.org/index.cfm/id/26/Contact-Us/>

#### **The Tech Museum, San Jose**

As the Bay Area's year-round second classroom, The Tech Museum offers a host of educational opportunities to enhance students' science and technology studies. School groups are admitted free under our "Free Field Trips" program. Students are encouraged to explore life, Earth and physical science in California curriculum-based, hand-on labs. Educational films featured in our IMAX dome theater supplement classroom learning in physics, geography and paleontology, among other sciences. Free teacher memberships are available to all K-12 public, private, home-school teachers and principals. Visit [thetech.org](http://thetech.org) to learn more and to book your visit to the museum. Or call at (408) 294-TECH.

### **Further out:**

#### **Aquarium of the Bay: BECOME A VOLUNTEER!**

Do you love the San Francisco Bay? Are you interested in teaching others about the amazing creatures that live there? Would you like to get involved behind-the-scenes? If so, then volunteering at Aquarium of the Bay is for you!

Volunteers are vital to the operation of all of the Aquarium's programs — and you can make a meaningful contribution to the experience of our over half-a-million visitors a year as a volunteer. From helping educate the public to assisting with daily maintenance responsibilities, we simply could not do it without volunteers.

<http://www.aquariumofthebay.org/>

#### **Aquatic Outreach Institute, Richmond**

For more information, call 510-231-5778.

#### **California Academy of Sciences at Golden Gate Park, San Francisco**

The California Academy of Sciences includes the Steinhart Aquarium, the Morrison Planetarium, and the Natural History Museum. Each offers exciting educational opportunities for students in all grade levels. For more information, visit

[www.calacademy.org](http://www.calacademy.org)

### **Coyote Point Museum for Environmental Education, San Mateo**

For more information, call 650-342-7755 or go to [www.coyoteptmuseum.org](http://www.coyoteptmuseum.org)

**Seymour Center at Long Marine Lab (Santa Cruz):** <http://seymourcenter.ucsc.edu/>

### **Fitzgerald Marine Reserve, San Mateo**

Located in Moss Beach (about one hour south of San Francisco), this spectacular stretch of coastline includes a shallow marine shelf that is exposed during low tides. Many interesting marine animals and plants are visible in the pools for watching, photographing, and drawing. Come study and enjoy this rich and complex habitat!

For more information, call 415-363-4020 or visit

[www.sfgate.com/getoutside/1996/jun/fitz.html](http://www.sfgate.com/getoutside/1996/jun/fitz.html)

### **Gulf of the Farallones National Marine Sanctuary Visitor Center**

The Sanctuary Visitor Center provides unique and engaging programs that allow students to see their connection to ocean habitats and wildlife. Bring your class to the Gulf of the Farallones Sanctuary Visitor Center at the Presidio and you will open up an exciting learning opportunity for your students. Programs are two hours long, interactive, grade specific and correlate to state standards. Students use hands-on exhibits inside the visitor center to discover how senses, life cycles, adaptations, and food webs function in the marine environment. Outside on the beach, students use observational skills to discover what makes this such a fragile world and actions they can take to help protect the ocean.

<http://farallones.noaa.gov/education/visitorcenter.html>

### **Oakland Museum of California**

For more information, call 888-OAKMUSE or visit [www.museumca.org](http://www.museumca.org)

*Walk Across California* - Take a simulated journey through California's diverse ecosystems, observing plants and animals found from the Pacific coastline to the High Sierra and the inland desert. Exhibits contain approximately 2,500 natural specimens organized around the basic ecological principles highlighting relationships among plants, animals, geology and climate. The Aquatic California Gallery presents an overview of our aquatic environments, including the oceans, rivers, streams and estuaries. Permanent exhibition.

### **Restoration Programs:**

Hands-on stewardship projects, community-based restoration, that engage students in wetland restoration to restore the health and diversity of the Bay ecosystem.

Visit [www.saveSFbay.org](http://www.saveSFbay.org) for more information.