



### **Job Description: Conservator (Temporary Position for Maternity Leave Cover)**

The Bible Lands Museum Jerusalem <http://www.blmj.org> anticipates hiring for a temporary position of Objects Conservator to care for in-house collections and loans held at the facilities at Givat Ram, Jerusalem. Our collections focus mainly on archaeological objects from the ancient Middle East, Mesopotamia and Egypt, and include materials such as ceramics, stone, glass, wood, ivory/bone and metals. The conservator will work with the museum registrar and curatorial team to maintain up-to-date records of the collection and with the keeper of the collection and the maintenance team to install and dismantle exhibitions.

**The position is temporary-** maternity leave cover- to start December 2017 for a period of three months or more depending on date of return of current conservator from maternity leave.

#### **Conservator duties:**

1. Recording and photography of objects and maintaining digital records (both for in-house objects and for incoming or outgoing loans)
2. Conservation (preventive and interventive) of objects and collections
3. Environmental monitoring and control (RH, temperature and lighting)
4. Storage and display improvement
5. Conservation Lab maintenance: ordering supplies and maintaining tools in working order, as well as dealing with the annual safety inspection. Applicants should have an understanding of chemical health and safety issues.
6. Cooperation with the museum designer in installing and dismantling exhibitions and improving the permanent display
7. Cooperation with visiting researchers (preparing objects for research and following up on the information given by the visitors regarding objects in the collections)
8. Cooperation with the museum registrar and the curatorial team to further establish museum records for objects and collections

**Requirements include:**

A university degree in conservation with a specialization in archaeological objects

5+ years experience in conservation of archaeological material, both inorganic and organic

Computer proficiency (Office windows programs, Photoshop and digital photography are a must. Experience with collection databases such as TMS will be a desirable addition)

Ability to work both independently and with other museum staff as necessary

Fluency in English and Hebrew both verbal and written

**Cover letters and full Curriculum Vitae in English should be sent to:  
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