

TITLE: TOUR COOK

Department: Tour	Staffing Classification: Seasonal
Reports To: Head Cook	FLSA Status: Exempt
Date Approved: 2/14/25	Pay: \$600-\$700/wk

JOB SUMMARY:

Will be responsible for providing nutritious, tasty, filling, and economical meals for Troupers and staff (75 - 100 people) during the rehearsal period and while out on tour.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:

(Majority of duties, but not meant to be all-inclusive nor prevent other duties from being assigned as necessary.)

- Assist in the daily preparation of three meals per day, morning and afternoon snacks and late-night meals associated with tent setup and takedowns.
- Assist Head Cook in inventory tracking and menu preparation.
- Assist in the set-up and tear-down of kitchen equipment as directed by the Head Cook.
- Follow all food safety rules during food preparation and storage.
- Maintain a clean and safe kitchen, dishwashing, dining, and service areas. Assist in routine cleaning and sanitation of all food-preparation and storage areas and the related equipment.
- Provide an attractive presentation for all meals.
- Assist in the set-up and tear down of back lot at the discretion of the Tour General Manager. Duties may include but are not limited to: Setting and leveling bunkhouses, running hoses and electrical cords, setting up dishwashing station, setting up picnic tables and dining tent.
- Drive company vehicle.
- Other jobs as needed.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Experience of food preparation and serving, storage of food and dishwashing procedures is preferred.
- Experience adapting menus and preparing food to accommodate special dietary and health needs.
- Knowledge and training in food service health and safety (ServeSafe).

WORKING CONDITIONS:

(Typical working conditions associated with this type of work and environmental hazards, if any, that may be encountered in performing the duties of this position.)

- Internal: Work is normally conducted in an office environment.
- External: Work requires travel throughout Vermont and surrounding states in preparation for and while on summer tour.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS:

(The physical effort generally associated with this position.)



Work involves standing, walking, bending, kneeling, reaching, stooping, and other physical activities consistent with setting up heavy equipment. Work may include lifting, carrying, or moving objects and equipment weighing over 50 pounds.

SUPERVISION:

Supervision is received from Head Cook and Assistant Head Cook.

PERIOD OF EMPLOYMENT:

This is an approximately three-month seasonal position, May 30 - August 24, 2025.

To be considered for this position, please contact **jobs@smirkus.org**. Interested parties please include:

- In the subject line, put "TOUR" in all caps and the job title that you are applying for
- Cover letter
- Resumé

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