



Adventures in Preservation

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Shutter Shop on Shore Road Scheduled for Late July at Bronx's Bartow-Pell Mansion

BRONX, NY and BOULDER, CO – June 10, 2012 – The Bartow-Pell Mansion Museum is looking for people who are up for an adventure – an adventure in preservation. For the past four years, the museum has partnered with Adventures in Preservation to recruit volunteers to spend a week doing hands-on restoration work at the National Historic Landmark in the Bronx. This year, volunteers will be restoring interior wood shutters. The adventure begins Monday, July 30 and lasts through Friday, August 3.

During five days of work, the museum hopes to complete restoration of the shutters in the mansion bedroom that holds its prized Charles-Honoré Lannuier bedstead. Volunteers of all ages are welcome; no experience is necessary, just a willingness to work. A conservation expert will teach and guide the volunteers as they work.

The week also includes behind-the-scenes tours of the museum and lunchtime lectures on local history. The \$295 fee covers lunches and snacks, materials, insurance and instruction. Full details and registration information are available at <http://adventuresinpreservation.org/upcoming-adventures/shutter-shop-on-shore-road>.

Volunteers have contributed significantly to restoration projects at Bartow-Pell. They restored the walkways in the historic terrace garden, learning the traditional art of galleting as they reversed decades of inappropriate repairs. In 2011, they turned to the interior and began work on the shutter project that continues this year.

Bartow-Pell, an 1840s Greek Revival mansion, is owned by the New York City Department of Parks & Recreation, operated by the Bartow-Pell Conservancy, and is a member of the Historic House Trust of New York City. It is located at 895 Shore Road, Pelham Bay Park, Bronx, New York. For more information, see www.bpmm.org.

Adventures in Preservation is a non-profit organization connecting people and preservation through enriching experiential programs. Participants have the opportunity to travel, experience their destination, and learn hands-on skills while preserving a valuable community resource. Learn more about how AiP volunteers combine their power with the strength of local communities to make a difference at www.adventuresinpreservation.org.

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