

BUILDING LEADERSHIP  
RESIDENT CURATORS/ EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S JOB DESCRIPTION  
DSPA-HALE BYRNES HOUSE



**MISSION**

**DSPA-HALE BYRNES Nonprofit's mission is to protect, preserve, and promote the buildings and grounds of the historic Hale-Byrnes House, an 18th century Quaker farmstead.**

**Vision Statement:** DSPA's vision includes the careful and accurate maintenance, repair, restoration, and historically sensitive renovation of the Hale Byrnes House and grounds. AS the southern anchor of the White Clay Creek Wild and Scenic River designation, we aspire to remain a small but friendly, historically accurate and welcoming meeting place for families, Revolutionary War scholars, fishermen and eco-tourists.

**DSPA-Hale Byrnes' Niche** is the time period 1750-1850. Our collection policy helps us remain true to our mission without amassing irrelevant or inappropriate material.

For more information, please visit our website at [www.halebyrnes.org](http://www.halebyrnes.org)  
Click on the "About Us" link.

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**POSITION: RESIDENT CURATOR/EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

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This person is a tenant of the DSPA-Hale Byrnes House. Although functioning in a volunteer capacity, the resident curator/executive director is the main line of communication between the State, the Board, and the general public.

As a partner to the board members, Resident Curator/executive director provides leadership to DSPA-HALE BYRNES. S/he supports and helps sustain the work of DSPA-HALE BYRNES, and in conjunction with Board, helps provide governance, leadership, and strategic fundraising support. S/he serves Ex Officio on the Board of Trustees and works closely with the DSPA-Hale Byrnes Board. S/he helps get the word out about the history that DSPA-HALEBYRNES HOUSE conveys, organizes public programs, may give tours, and engage the Board and volunteers in productive activities that further the mission of DSPA-Hale Byrnes House, asks questions, work with the Board and volunteers to teach students and the general public about the history of the American Revolution and early Republic.

The resident curator/director is vital to DSPA-HALEBYRNES HOUSE's mission of education and preservation and, as the eyes and ears on the land, helps protect the house from vagrants and possible vandalism simply by living here. It is important that the Board recognizes that the Director/Resident Curator is a volunteer and may or may not , and is under no obligation to, carry out the day-to-day work of running the non-profit. The DSPA-Hale Byrnes Board is responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of the grounds and building in cooperation with the requirements of the State of Delaware and needs of its tenants.