

USE YOUR TALENTS TO SAVE RAINFORESTS!

INTERN WITH RAINFOREST RELIEF

THE FOLLOWING INTERNSHIPS ARE CURRENTLY AVAILABLE

CAMPAIGN INTERNSHIPS

RAINFOREST TIMBER RESOLUTIONS/ORDINANCES

Work to pass a rainforest timber ordinance in your town or a resolution in your school or institution.

IN NEW JERSEY: Assist the staff in a campaign to pass a bill to end the use of uncertified rainforest woods by the New Jersey state government and end the funding of municipal projects in the state using state funds.

IN NEW YORK: Assist the staff in campaign to end the use of uncertified rainforest woods for boardwalk reconstruction projects in New York City. Organize direct actions, contact media, organize coalitions.

Assist the staff in a campaign to pass a law closing the loopholes in the existing state law that allow for the use of rainforest woods by municipalities.

Assist the staff in campaigns to compel NYC agencies to end their uses of rainforest woods for boardwalks, park benches, ferry terminals, piers, docks and subway track ties.

NATIONAL WATERFRONTS INITIATIVE

Help us get proactive in stopping the rising demand for rainforest woods in waterfront construction. The intern will expand our existing database of waterfront municipalities and landscape architects and designers across the U.S., coordinate the completion of our brochure/poster and contact municipal officials.

FUTON CAMPAIGN

Research and organize a campaign to end the imports into the US of futon frames made from endangered rainforest woods.

SAFE SETS™: THE RAINFORESTS OF BROADWAY

Rainforest Relief has begun a project to end the use of lauan tropical plywood for set construction across the country. The intern will research alternative materials and help organize a show to highlight a set made entirely of environmentally sound materials. This will involve contacting celebrities and those involved in the theatre industry.

MAHOGANY IS MURDER CAMPAIGN

The use of mahogany continues to be responsible for destructive logging and road building — and the clearing that ensues — in South America.

RESTAURANTS/BARS: The intern will assist the ongoing campaign to end the use of mahogany and other uncertified rainforest woods by New York City restaurants and bars.

DYING FOR MAHOGANY CAMPAIGN: The intern will research and organize a campaign to end the use of rainforest woods for coffins within NYC and nationally.

RETAIL CHAINS: The intern will research and organize for the ongoing campaign to end the use of mahogany and other rainforest woods by national chain retail stores and restaurants. So far our research has found Hard Rock Cafe, Georgiou, Barney's New York, TGI Friday's, Tristan & America, Coach, The Tie Rack, The Museum Company and others as using rainforest wood for store construction.

OUTDOOR FURNITURE

Help us stop the imports of garden furniture made from wood logged from old growth rainforests. The use of teak, nyatoh, balau, garapera, jatoba and other woods are steeply on the rise as companies capitalize on the growing popularity of outdoor activities. The intern will help organize Days of Action by reaching out to student and grassroots groups across the country and internationally.

FORESTBANANA™ PROJECT

Join our on-going project in Talamanca, **Costa Rica**, to help small-scale shade-grown organic banana and cacao producers gain a more stable income base and preserve the forests they steward. See our website for more info.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM PRESENTERS

Help us educate the next generations about how to spare rainforests from destruction. Interns will be trained in public speaking, the subject matter and the use of materials and will go into area schools to present **Rainforest Relief's** unique presentations on protecting rainforests.

RESEARCH INTERNSHIPS

RAINFOREST MEDICINALS

Research the current situation regarding Calanolide-A, the compound discovered in the bark of a rare gum tree native to the Malaysian rainforest and then lost when the forest was cut for plywood. The intern will first use the Nexus database and conduct a literature review and then author a report.

PIERS

Compile information on imports of various rainforest products using information from the PIERS database.

ALUMINUM REPORT

Aluminum production in rainforest areas is a nightmare of mining and dam building, leading to the massive destruction of rainforests. The intern will research the impacts of aluminum production on rainforests and author a report.

BEEF REPORT

The U.S. is the largest import of beef from Central America. These imports are coming from cattle operations that have cleared vast areas of rainforests. Clearing for cattle is probably the largest single cause of rainforest destruction in Central and South America. The intern will research beef imports into the U.S. using the PIERS database and author a report on action strategies.

TOBACCO REPORT

Tobacco production in the tropics is using up rainforests (for curing of tobacco with charcoal). The intern will research tobacco production and imports into the U.S. and author a report.

CUT FLOWERS REPORT

The production of flowers for export in the tropics is using up rainforests and the flower industry uses massive amounts of chemicals in flower production. Workers are getting sick from handling flowers doused in pesticides. The intern will research flower production and imports into the U.S. and author a report.

ADMINISTRATIVE INTERNSHIPS

NON-PROFIT ADMINISTRATION

Assist Rainforest Relief staff and committee chairs in office administration.

WEB DESIGN & UPDATING

Help us update the **Rainforest Relief** web site. Design animation and interactive graphics for our Kids Pages. The intern would work closely with the director and web coordinator and learn about RR campaigns and projects.

SPECIAL EVENTS DEVELOPMENT

Conceiving and coordinating fundraising/campaign event(s). Current ideas include a benefit tape of regional musicians, benefit concerts, dine-out nights, etc. Future projects could include a raffle, celebrity dinner, author brunch, etc.

Exposing and Challenging Rainforest Consumption

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