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The Space Needle's Recent Renovation Calls for Candidates with 'High' Ambition

The landmark's new revolving glass floor makes the Space Needle one of the most thrilling places to work in Seattle this summer

SEATTLE, Wednesday, June 13, 2018 – The Space Needle is looking to hire more than 170 courageous employees to be among the first to introduce, protect and clean the Seattle landmark and its recent \$100 million renovation upgrades. The tower has added more than 176 tons of glass to its design, which includes the world's first revolving glass floor, located 500 feet above ground. The new glass features present new and exciting challenges for the 56-year-old icon, such as implementing a first-of-its-kind glass-keeping team to maintain the icon's panoramic views of the Puget Sound area.

"This isn't a job for the faint of heart," says Paul Best, who will be leading the Space Needle's glass-keeping team. The glass-keepers will be responsible for cleaning and maintaining more than 20,000 square feet of glass surfaces every day. "All of the tower's recently installed glass is located 500 feet in the air or higher, which will require my team to reach, climb and crawl on more than 300 panels of glass to keep the tower's floor-to-ceiling views pristine for every guest."

As the Space Needle winds down construction and gears up for summer, it's hiring additional employees to help prepare for the busy tourist season ahead. The tower has worked with several community-based organizations and local job fairs to help recruit applicants. The Space Needle's next job fair will be this Friday, June 15 at its corporate office located at 223 Taylor Ave N. Seattle 98109.

"From operating an elevator to changing the Space Needle's signature aircraft warning beacon, our employees scale every inch of the of the structure to maintain its beauty and legacy," says Vice President of Human Resources Nancy Hawman. "Nearly 90 percent of the Space Needle's positions require employees to perform their responsibilities between 100 to 605 feet above earth or ground level."

The Space Needle prides its self on offering a competitive benefits package for full-time positions and on-going career development for tenured employees.

"Entry level jobs at the Space Needle can lead to a fulfilling, long-term career," says Director of Business Development Randy Cote. "When I was a college student in Arizona, I would come home to Seattle and work as an elevator operator every summer. After I graduated, I coupled my degree with my prior experience at the Space Needle and joined the marketing department," explains Cote who has been with company since 2007.

Other seasonal and full-time positions available this summer include guest experience specialists, maintenance engineers and admissions agents. For a full list of open positions and for more information on the Space Needle's upcoming job fair, visit www.spaceneedle.com/careers.

The Space Needle's renovation, called Century Project, is a multi-year venture focused on preservation and renovation of the beloved icon. A project several years in the making, the Century Project aims to reveal the historic tower's internal structure and harken back to the original conceptual sketches, all while expanding and improving the Space Needle's unparalleled views and guest experience. For more information on the renovation, visit www.seewhatup.space.

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About the Space Needle

The Space Needle is the celebrated icon of Seattle, second only to the Eiffel Tower in Paris as the most easily identified global skyline feature. Built for the 1962 Seattle World's Fair, it continues to symbolize the leading-edge innovation and technology that the city is known for and serves as a beacon into the future.

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