

RETAIL MANAGER 1.0 FTE

Grade 5.1

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THE SHRINE OF REMEMBRANCE

The Shrine of Remembrance is Victoria's pre-eminent memorial to the service and sacrifice of Australians in times of war and peacekeeping. It is a building with a soul, sharing the stories of extraordinary people whose efforts and experiences have shaped, and continue to shape, our nation.

A Melbourne icon, the Shrine is Victoria's home of commemoration and is consistently ranked among the nation's leading visitor attractions. Almost 700,000 people visit the Shrine each year to explore the gardens, tour the museum and participate in remembrance services and student education programmes.

CHARTER, VISION, MISSION AND VALUES

Charter

The objectives of the Shrine of Remembrance are defined in the *Shrine of Remembrance Act 1978*, as are the duties of Trustees, which are:

- Responsibility for the care, management, maintenance, preservation of the Shrine of Remembrance.
- The development, promotion, management and the staging of ceremonial activities
 and events to commemorate the service and sacrifice of Victorians and Australians in
 war, conflict, peacekeeping and peacemaking, including, but not limited to, wreath
 laying and other ceremonial or commemorative activities; and
- 3. The development, promotion, management and implementation of public programs to inform, education and promote understanding among Victorians and visitors about the history, experience, service and sacrifice of Victorians and Australians in war, conflict, peacekeeping, and peacemaking, including, but not limited to, exhibitions, lectures, publications, school learning and outreach programs.

Purpose

To be a memorial to honour the service and sacrifice of Victorians and Australians in war, conflict, peacemaking and peacekeeping and as a site of national, State and cultural significance.

Vision

To be the most special place at which to reflect on the way of life we value, defended by the service of man.

Mission

We will memorialise those who have served in war, peacemaking and peacekeeping, engaging through education and storytelling. We will be acknowledged for our leadership and cultural significance.

Values

Our decision-making and actions will adopt and give substance to our values of respect, inclusion, integrity, loyalty and service.

THE OPPORTUNITY

The key responsibilities of this role include all aspects of managing the Shrine's retail store and café; tour products; a new venue hire and event partnership; and other paid visitor amenities. This role will deliver both strong commercial outcomes and support delivery of exceptional visitor experience. The Retail Manager (RM) also acts as Duty Manager as required.

ORGANISATIONAL RELATIONSHIP

The RM reports to the responsible Shrine director (currently the Director Visitor Experience (DVE)) and works closely with the Visitor Services Manager (VSM) and the Ceremonial Program Manager (CPM). Direct reports include the Visitor Experience Coordinator (VEC), and a team of Retail Officers (ROs) and Visitor Experience Officers (VEOs). The RM is also a member of the Shrine management team, and works cooperatively with other managers, staff, and volunteers across the organisation in support of harmonised delivery of programs and services.

DUTIES SPECIFIC TO THE POSITION

- Manage and grow all aspects of the Shrine's retail business, including identifying and sourcing stock, unique product development, inventory management, and visual merchandising.
- Manage and grow the Shrine's café business with an enhanced food and beverage offering.
- Develop and implement an evidence-based, multi-year retail plan.
- With the Visitor Experience management team, lead the ongoing development of a visitor-focussed culture, supported by implementation of effective visitor experience processes and systems.
- Provide effective leadership, including coaching, mentoring and developing direct reports.
- Manage other revenue raising activity within the scope of the role, including a new venue hire and event partnership, tours, and on-site donations.
- Oversee administration of the Friends of the Shrine membership program.
- Prepare monthly performance reports for the DVE.
- With the VSM and CPM, and with the support of the Co-ordinators, develop and deliver ongoing front of house staff training that ensures exceptional visitor experience.
- Be a proactive member of the Shrine's management team and contribute to broader planning.
- Engage with the cultural and tourism sectors to identify partnerships and raise the Shrine's profile.
- Promote a safe and inclusive workplace environment.

KEY OUTCOME AREAS

- The Shrine's retail and other revenue raising activities (within the scope of the position) are expanded and agreed financial targets are met.
- Delivery of exceptional visitor experience, measured via audience evaluation.
- Best practice policies, processes and procedures are implemented across retail operations.
- Budget and revenue performance is accurately monitored and reported.
- Relationships with relevant partners, suppliers and contractors are professionally maintained and reflect the Shrine's reputational standards.
- Visitor Experience staff growth and development, performance management and training are delivered and reflect the Shrine's values.

CORPORATE RESPONSIBILITIES

All staff are required to comply with the Victorian Public Sector Code of Conduct and all Shrine policies and procedures and take reasonable care to protect their own health and safety and the health and safety of others in the workplace. Staff are also required to immediately report any incidents, hazards or near misses to the relevant supervisor and actively participate in hazard elimination as required.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Essential

- Empathy for, and understanding of, the objectives of the Shrine of Remembrance.
- Significant retail management experience.
- Demonstrated and broad knowledge of retail operations, including inventory management, product development, and visual merchandising.
- A proven track record of driving retail sales growth and diversifying revenue.
- Demonstrated leadership experience, including training, coaching, and performance management.
- Highly developed communication, negotiation and interpersonal skills with persuasive abilities and capacity to build and influence networks.
- Proven ability to manage projects and work under pressure to meet competing deadlines.

Desirable

- Experience in the cultural, tourism, visitor attraction and/or related sectors.
- Experience in developing themed and branded retail product, including souvenirs.