Earthshed PermaBlitz Intern Application

This is an official internship application for Earthshed Solutions' PermaBlitz Committee and Design Team. This is a volunteer intern position with the aim of helping PDC graduates learn additional hands-on skills and knowledge in permaculture design and implementation. Please read the PB Intern Commitments on the last page and make sure you understand and can fulfill the commitments of this internship program.

Please return the completed application to P.O. Box 3358 Chico, CA 95927-3358 or you may scan and email it to permablitz@earthshed.org. Feel free to contact us with any questions.

* *Indicates a required field*

Date * _____

Name * *First and last*

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Email address * *Provide an alternate email address if you have one.*

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Phone Number(s) * *Please provide the best number(s) to contact you.*

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When did you receive your PDC? * *Please provide us with a copy of your certificate, you may scan and email it to permablitz@earthshed.org.*

Date _____

Who taught your PDC? * *Please provide the name of your teacher (and business if applicable).*

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Besides your PDC, have you done other designs? * If yes, please explain.

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What would you say are your strongest skill sets after learning about Permaculture? *

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Do you have internet access? *
☐ Yes
☐ No
Other:

There are time constraints for producing some of the materials and information. Can you honor this commitment? * Please let us know any limitations you may have toward completing some of the tasks.
☐ Yes
☐ No
Limitations:

You will need to respond to requests within a 1-2 days of an email, phone call, text, etc. Will you be able to do this? *
☐ Yes
☐ No

There are several face-to-face meetings with the Host and committee meetings before the PermaBlitz. Will you have time to attend these? *
☐ Yes
☐ No

The initial site visit at the Host's home is a critical first step in the design process. It will either take place on a Saturday or Sunday. The site assessment usually lasts from 4-6 hours. Are you able to make this commitment? *
☐ Yes
☐ No

What type of computer software are you familiar with? * *Check all that apply.*
☐ MS Word
☐ MS Excel
☐ MS Publisher
☐ MS PowerPoint
☐ Prezi
☐ Adobe Acrobat
☐ Adobe Illustrator
☐ Adobe Photoshop
☐ SketchUp
☐ Other(s):

What social networks do you use? * *Check all that apply.*
☐ Facebook
☐ Twitter
☐ Instagram
☐ Google+
☐ YouTube
☐ Other:

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Do you have marketing skills? If yes, please explain. *

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Would you be interested in leading a project or activity at the PermaBlitz? * *Check all that apply.*
☐Yes
☐No
Other:

If yes to the above, what types of projects or activities could you lead? *

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Do you have any other applicable skills in permaculture, homesteading, self-sufficiency etc.? *

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PermaBlitz Intern Commitments

- Interns must be able to communicate with the design team and respond to any emails, text messages or phone calls within 1-2 days. Face-to-face meetings occur once or twice at the Host's home and at least once per month at the Chico library or similar venue.
- Interns will review the timeline with the PB committee and make sure they can commit to the deadlines for the next PermaBlitz.
- Interns will spend 20 or more hours doing research, writing, drawing and attending meetings over the course of four to five months.
- Prior to the initial site visit with the Host, interns will gain an understanding of the completed Host Site Questionnaire which articulates goals and desires for the Host and property.
- Interns will attend the initial site visit with the Host and design team. This visit includes an interview with the Host, a walk of the property, a site assessment and initial analysis,

taking pictures or video of the property, and marking and measuring the target areas for the base map.

- A base map will be developed from the measurements taken at the initial site visit and given to each designer and intern.
- Interns will need some computer skills and software. PowerPoint or a word processing program, Google Earth, a printer and possibly scanning ability. Skype, Google Drive, and Dropbox or other useful tools for communicating, expressing ideas and doing online research is also necessary.
- Interns will be responsible for completing several assignments, such as creating a scale of permanence analysis, zone and sector maps, species matrix chart, mind maps, etc. The assignment goals are for the intern to achieve an in-depth knowledge about one or more subjects that relate to the Host's goals for the property. The assignments will be multi-dimensional and will consider the many design tools permaculture has to offer.
- Interns will work with the lead designer(s) to help prepare concept designs based on the outcome of the various assignments. Drawings can be done by hand or with computer software. PB designers utilize Power Point or Publisher for computer generated concept designs and hand draw final working master plans.
- Interns and lead designer(s) will present the concept designs to the Host. The Host will provide input and any additional information needed to complete a final working master plan. This design may include elements outside the scope of a PermaBlitz event but is included as a completed design.
- Interns will work with the PermaBlitz committee and design team to determine which projects and activities will be completed on the day of the PB, help make materials lists based on projects and activities, and create timelines for completing said tasks.
- Interns have the opportunity to present some of their work at the Chico Permaculture Guild (CPG) Pre-PermaBlitz Gatherings.
- Interns will attend the day of the PB, help with set-up and clean-up, and possibly act as a Facilitator or run a project or activity.

Thank you for completing the PermaBlitz Intern application!

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