The Bulletin of the Center for Children’s Books

Book reviewer extra help staff position

The Bulletin of the Center for Children’s Books, one of the nation’s premier children’s literature review journals, is seeking new reviewers. The Bulletin, published monthly except for August, is housed within the School of Information Sciences at the university. Its primary audience is public and school librarians, for whom it serves as a collection development tool by reviewing approximately 1000 new books for youth annually ranging from picture books up through young adult.

Reviewers write between 6-20 reviews, ranging from 150 to 300 words apiece, monthly and attend in-person meetings on most Wednesday mornings at 9. You can view a sample issue at http://muse.jhu.edu/journal/313 (no login necessary). We seek candidates who will be available through fall at the very least and preferably through 2020.

Requirements:
- Bachelor’s degree or higher, preferably with a focus on writing or on youth
- Experience with writing about books; student work is acceptable
- Interest in youth, youth education, and/or youth media
- Familiarity with youth literature
- High level of writing skill
- Willingness to learn
- Ability to meet deadlines
- Enthusiasm, because we really like what we do

Preferred:
- Master’s in LIS, English, or Education
- Experience as a library or educational practitioner
- Experience as a book reviewer

Position is extra help @$20 per hour.

Please submit resume and cover letter along with a recent writing sample (student work is fine; no older than five years old) to the editor, Deborah Stevenson, at dstevens@illinois.edu. While this is an ongoing search, for best consideration, apply before May 24, 2019.

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