



United States Adaptive Recreation Center

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Dear Volunteer:

Thank you for your interest in teaching with the United States Adaptive Recreation Center (USARC) at Bear Mountain Resort. The USARC has come this far as a result of the hard work of hundreds of people like you. For over twenty five years, volunteers have played a pivotal role in the success of our program, a program dedicated to the creation of opportunities and the redefinition of "limits". Without you, the selfless volunteer, we could reach only a fraction of those who seek this extraordinary experience.

Junior Volunteers (16- and 17-year-olds) are also welcome (with parent's permission) not just to enable volunteers and/or participants to involve their children, but also to provide an opportunity for school credit, leadership skill development, and an avenue for learning the importance of "giving back" to society.

USARC looks forward to communicating with you using Facebook! **Facebook** is an easy way to talk to other volunteers about teaching, carpooling, etc. so please join at www.facebook.com (search **United States Adaptive Recreation Center**, and become a fan.)

Please read the following qualifications, thoroughly complete the application (front and back), and return it as soon as possible (space is limited). A confirmation indicating your selected clinic will be mailed to you approximately two weeks before clinics begin. If you find that you cannot volunteer for the USARC, please pass the information to an interested friend and consider participating in or volunteering for one of USARC's fundraisers, the **2018 Ski-A-Thon** (Saturday, March 10, 2018) or October's **Peak to Peak Pedal**.

- δ Volunteers must be at least **16 years old**.
- δ Volunteers will be subject to background checks for various felonies or other criminal history.
- δ Volunteers should be at least intermediate skiers. "Intermediate" is defined as skiing basic parallel turns on typical "blue square" rated runs. Comfort and confidence are more important than technical precision!
Snowboarding volunteers are needed, as long as they are willing to **ski too**.
- δ **CLINIC DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE** We hope the training sessions will occur as scheduled, but please be flexible, and we will apprise you of the situation as it develops.
- δ **NEW VOLUNTEERS** must attend a **free four-day on-snow-training clinic**. The clinics at Bear Mt. Resort are scheduled for **December 14-17, 2017** **January 4-7, 2018**, with each clinic commencing on Thursday and concluding on Sunday. Clinic hours are 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. each day, with a lunch break from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. **However, the first day of your clinic will begin with an orientation session so please check in at 7:30 a.m.**
- δ **RETURNING VOLUNTEERS** (who taught six or more days the prior season) need to attend a **two-day refresher clinic**, scheduled on the weekends of the New Volunteer Training sessions and one during the week. The clinics are **December 11 & 12, 2017, December 16 & 17, 2017** and **January 6 & 7, 2018**. If you want to teach during the early season you must attend the December clinic, with the exception of PSIA-certified volunteers (certification is **HIGHLY** recommended, for many reasons), who may teach before training clinics. The first training day of your session will focus on ATS and the technique you taught most during last season (not always that in which you trained.) The second day features a second day of review or, ability permitting, a one-day accelerated clinic in a new technique. In the technique(s) in which you are experienced, you will play a mentor role with new volunteers. **Clinics will be limited in size** to ensure you get the most of your time.
- δ Volunteers are required to sign up for and **teach at least six midweek days, INCLUDING AT LEAST ONE DAY IN MARCH** (you are welcome and encouraged to teach more) **between January 8 and March 16, 2018**. With a limit to the number of instructors needed each day, **those attending the December clinic will have a better selection** of days for which they can sign up. **While we need volunteers during December, the priority is our groups in January, February, and March.**
- δ Volunteers are **required to provide a pair of short "teaching" skis**. The USARC may have information on where to obtain a limited number of these skis (usually old rental skis) at discounted prices, the details of which will be contained in your confirmation, or you can often obtain them (sometimes at no charge) from your local ski shop. Due to insufficient edge hold, these are not to be the very short "Big Foot", "Scorpion", or "Snow Blade" style skis. Returning and certified volunteers interested in Pro Purchase prices on **VOLKL** skis, **TECNICA** boots or **MARKER** bindings, please contact Tom Peirce.
- δ Volunteer hours can fulfill some requirements for universities, continuing education programs, or community service programs. The California Board of Park and Recreation Certification (CBRPC) has authorized **the USARC as a placement agency for fieldwork or internship students in recreation therapy. Please let us know if you are obtaining credit for your volunteer time.**

We look forward to meeting you and having you join us for a memorable winter. Thank you in advance for the difference you will make. If you have questions regarding any of the above or other areas, please call (909) 584-0269. Pray for snow!

Please print legibly and fill out/update information form completely!

Name:	Date of Birth:
Mailing Address:	Occupation:
City:	Place of Employment:
State:	T-shirt Size (circle one): *****XS ''S *****M ****L ****XL *****XXL
Zip:	Hat Size: S/M/ L
County (ie: LA, Orange, San Bernardino):	Emergency Contact:
Home phone:	Phone #(s):
Work phone:	Emergency Contact:
Cell phone:	Phone #(s):
E-mail:	I am interested in carpooling: Yes___ No___

I authorize the release of my information to others that are interested in carpooling: _____ initials

I have taught with USARC the following winters (example: 93/94 as '94, etc.) _____

I have been trained in the following adaptive techniques: _____

Which technique will you be reviewing on your first day of training? _____

What clubs, organizations, ski clubs or other groups have you volunteered with or belonged to in the past five years?

Excluding the United States Adaptive Recreation Center, list any experience you have had working with the disabled?

References (not a family member or relative) or supervisors, especially if applicable to the preceding two questions:

Reference #1: _____ Relationship: _____ Phone: _____

Reference #2: _____ Relationship: _____ Phone: _____

If you have a disability that may relate to your skiing or teaching ability please elaborate: _____

Please rate your skiing ability or background (intermediate, advanced, expert) _____

Please rate your snowboarding ability or background (n/a, beginner, intermediate, advanced) _____

If you have ever taught skiing or snowboarding, where was it and when? _____

Are you certified by PSIA? Yes___ No___ If yes, PSIA membership #, level, and technique: _____

I am interested in becoming PSIA certified? Yes___ No___

I am volunteering to fulfill university, continuing education, or community service requirements: Yes___ No___

If yes, list organization: _____ Supervisor: _____ Phone: _____

I speak the following foreign language(s) (Spanish, sign, etc.) conversationally: _____

Please list any of your skills, contacts, experience, etc. that you would like to share and which may benefit USARC:

Have you ever been convicted of any law violation (except a minor traffic violation)? Yes___ No___

If yes, please explain: _____

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The ideal gift at the party would be (hat, shirt, mug, etc.) Remember, Majority rules! _____

How did you hear about the USARC program? _____

See letter for requirements and circle the training clinic you will attend (space is limited and filled in order of applications received):

RETURNING VOLUNTEERS*

Clinic #1- December 11 & 12, 2017

Clinic #2- December 16 & 17, 2017

Clinic #3- January 6 & 7, 2018

NEW VOLUNTEERS

Clinic #4- December 14-17, 2017

Clinic #5- January 4-7, 2018

****Clinic dates are subject to change****

Military/Veteran Information	Participant Type
List Years/Wars Served: (ex 1999-2004)	<input type="checkbox"/> Service Member Injured Post 2001
Branch:	<input type="checkbox"/> Service Member Injured Pre 2001
Rank:	<input type="checkbox"/> Guest/Family Member
Date of Injury:	<input type="checkbox"/> Veteran Support Staff
Place of Injury:	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____