



The annual Taste of WGBH Food & Wine Festival returns October 10-13, 2019 at WGBH Studios in Brighton, MA. The multi-day festival will feature chef tastings; cooking demos; specialty craft beer and wine; LIVE music; beautiful décor; chef competitions and more. Thousands of guests are expected to join us for a weekend full of delicious festivities.

This is a great opportunity for Massbay Community College students to volunteer and give back to their local community during one of the largest food and wine festivals in New England, where variety is truly the spice of life! Interested students and groups should review the volunteer positions descriptions below and email WGBH Volunteer Manager Jaime Reese at [jaime\\_reese@wgbh.org](mailto:jaime_reese@wgbh.org) for more information.

**\*Please note that volunteers should be comfortable standing for 4-6 hours. Volunteers working with set-up and/or breakdown must be 16+, and volunteers working during the event must be 21+.**

Please make sure interested students include the following information in their email response:

- Their full name (first and last name)
- Email address for confirmation and email reminder purposes
- Top 3 volunteer positions in order of preference
- Preferred activity (e.g. Brunch Bar 10/13)
- Preferred shift (if there are multiple)
- Prior related experience (e.g. volunteer work, customer service, TIPS certification, and food-related experience, etc.)

The Taste of WGBH Food & Wine Festival helps to support the great educational and cultural programming on WGBH, and we need your help to ensure this year's festival is even bigger and better than ever! We hope to work with students in October!

Bon Appétit!

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# Food & Wine Festival Volunteer Opportunities

## Wednesday, October 9: Chef's Gala Set Up

**Position:** Set Volunteer

**Shift:** (Wed, 10/9) 2-5pm

**Position Description:** Responsibilities of a Set Volunteer include setting up tables, steaming tablecloths, deploying materials to different vendor stations and placing signage around Calderwood Studio. ***Set volunteers must be able to lift at least 10-15 pounds and be on their feet throughout their shift.***

## Thursday, October 10: Chef's Gala Breakdown

**Position:** Breakdown Volunteer

**Shift:** 10pm-12am

**Position Description:** Responsibilities of a Breakdown Volunteer include folding and stacking tables, removing tablecloths, returning materials to catering kitchen, taking down signage around Calderwood Studio, etc. ***Breakdown volunteers must be able to lift at least 10-15 pounds and be on their feet throughout their shift.***

## Friday, October 11: Artisan Taste Set-Up

**Position:** Set Volunteer

**Two Shifts Available:** 2-6pm or 6-10pm

**Position Description:** Responsibilities of a Set Volunteer include setting up tables, steaming tablecloths, deploying materials to different stations and placing signage and festive décor around the Artisan Taste tent in the back lot. ***Set volunteers must be able to lift at least 10-15 pounds and be on their feet throughout their shift.***

## Saturday, October 12: Artisan Taste Set-up and Vendor Welcome

**Positions:** Set & Greet Volunteer

**Shift:** 9am-1pm

**Position Description:** Responsibilities of a Set & Greet Volunteer include last-minute set-up tasks and greeting and leading Artisan Taste exhibitors to their designated area within the tent. ***Set volunteers must be able to lift at least 10-15 pounds and be on their feet throughout their shift.***

## Saturday, October 12: [Artisan Taste](#)

**Positions:** Ticket Sales/Will Call, Bag Check, Glass/Program Distributor, TIPS Certified Pourer/ID Check, Table Runner (refill water pitchers, replace ice, clear trash around booths), VIP Lounge Assistant (restock magazines, replenish water station, keep area tidy), Volunteer Photographer and Photographer's Assistant, WGBH Prize Wheel, Photo Station Line Manager, Merchandise.

**Shift:** 12-5pm

**Position Description:** Guests will encounter more than 27,000 square feet of delicious surprises on the WGBH studio lot. Competition for the WGBH Culinary Stewardship Award will be stiff this year and attendees will get to taste the crème de la crème of chef dishes before the winner is announced. The event will feature sips and bites from New England's best restaurants and international beverage producers in the Grand Tasting Pavilion; LIVE cooking demos, panel discussions, and talks featuring national and local celebrity chefs in the Culinary Theater; unique tastings in the VIP Lounge for All-Access pass holders; and LIVE musical guests on the Sound Stage curated by Front Row Boston. ***\* Event volunteers must be 21+ years of age.***

### **Saturday, October 12: Food Fight Set-up and Vendor Welcome**

**Positions:** Set & Greet Volunteer

**Shift:** 3:45-7pm

**Position Description:** Responsibilities of a Set & Greet Volunteer include last-minute set-up tasks and greeting and leading Food Fight exhibitors to their designated area within the tent. *Set volunteers must be able to lift at least 10-15 pounds and be on their feet throughout their shift.*

### **Saturday, October 12: Food Fight: Head 2 Head Challenge**

**Positions:** Ticket Sales/Will Call, Ticket Taker, Bag Check, Glass/Program Distributor, Certified TIPS Pourer/ID Check, ID/Wrist Band Greeter, Table Runner (refill water pitchers, replace ice, clear trash around booths), VIP Lounge Assistant (restock magazines, replenish water station, keep area tidy), Volunteer Photographer and Photographer's Assistant, WGBH Prize Wheel, Photo Station Line Manager, Merchandise.

**Shift:** 6-10pm

**Event Description:** If our Chef's Gala takes you down the red carpet, our Food Fight moves you with a magic carpet! Diverse and talented chefs will transport guests through the streets of Bangkok, alleyways of Oaxaca, and the dusty roads of the East Bank to enjoy delicious bites from 20 chefs competing in different categories. Our panel of pro judges onsite will choose the winner in each category, culminating in awarding one chef the title of champion, chosen as the "Best Bite" of the day. *\*Event volunteers must be 21+ years of age.*

### **Saturday, October 12: Food Fight Breakdown**

**Position:** Breakdown Volunteer

**Shift:** 9:45pm-12am

**Position Description:** Responsibilities of a Breakdown Volunteer include folding and stacking tables, removing tablecloths, returning materials to the catering kitchen, taking down signage, etc. *Breakdown volunteers must be able to lift at least 10-15 pounds and be on their feet throughout their shift.*

### **Sunday, October 13: Brunch Bar Set-Up and Vendor Welcome**

**Position:** Set & Greet Volunteer

**Shift:** 8-11am

**Position Description:** Responsibilities of a Set & Greet Volunteer include last-minute set-up tasks and greeting and leading Brunch Bar exhibitors to their designated area within the tent. Volunteers will also help Brunch Bar volunteers find their station once they arrive. *Set volunteers must be able to lift at least 10-15 pounds and be on their feet throughout their shift.*

### **Sunday, October 13: Brunch Bar**

**Position:** Ticket Sales/Will Call, Glass/Program Distributor, Certified TIPS Pourer/ID Check, Bag Check, Food Prep, Table Runner (refill water pitchers, replace ice, clear trash around booths), VIP Lounge Assistant (restock magazines, replenish water station, keep area tidy), Volunteer Photographer and Photographer's Assistant, WGBH Prize Wheel, Photo Station Line Manager, Merchandise.

**Shift:** 10am-2:30pm

**Event Description:** Boston loves brunch, and this popular event sells out quickly. Brunch Bar will feature sips and brunchy bites from New England's best restaurants and international beverage producers in the Grand Tasting Pavilion; live cooking demos, panel discussions, and talks featuring national and local celebrity chefs in the Culinary Theater; unique tastings in the VIP Lounge for All-Access pass holders; and LIVE musical guests on the Sound Stage curated by Front Row Boston. *\*Event volunteers must be 21+ years of age.*

**Sunday, October 13: Festival Breakdown**

**Position:** Breakdown Volunteer

**Shift:** 1:45-4pm

**Position Description:** Responsibilities of a Breakdown Volunteer include folding and stacking tables, removing tablecloths, returning materials to the catering kitchen, taking down signage, etc. ***Breakdown volunteers must be able to lift at least 20 pounds and be able to be on your feet for extended time.***