Grant Hawkes

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SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE:

- Trip leader with 6+ years experience leading groups of 12+ students (ages 10-18) in remote settings
- Extensive solo and group expedition experience via canoe, backpacking, and backcountry ski
- Competent in a variety of outdoor skills: friction fire, shelter building, hide tanning etc...
- 6+ years woodworking experience- specialty in traditional hand tool use
- Competent mastery of tool sharpening
- Ancestral skills and outdoor living skill teacher with 7+ years experience
- Competent in backcountry cooking over open fires for groups of 15+
- Certified Wilderness First Responder/ CPR
- Completed AIARE 1 Avalanche training

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Green Woodworker/Ancestral Skills Instructor

Fall 2022-Present

Self Employed- Logan, UT

wildfolkwanderer.squarespace.com

Produce wooden wares using traditional handtools and techniques

Lead carving classes for small groups (1-4)

Design and publish website and webshop

Recieve and manage orders/ fulfillment

Design and lead regular interpretive outdoor skill programming for groups of 5-10

Develop and manage social media pages and produce content

Sell at farmers markets, engage with public, and inspire engagement with craft

Lead Teacher/ Ancestral Skills Instructor

Summer 2022/23

Kroka Expeditions- Marlow, NH

Lead trip planning and food/gear packout.

Direct trip leading and group management.

Designed interpretive curriculum/ lead ancestral skill focused expeditions

In field WFR and medical provider for groups of 15+

Taught ancestral skills and fire building to students.

Taught expedition backpacking/ canoeing skills.

Outdoor cooking for groups of 15+.

Mentor and instruct Apprentices

Worked daily on farm/ facilities projects.

Assistant Canoe Guide

Summer 2022/23

Mahoosuc Guide Service- Newry, ME

Work directly with clients to provide in field training and care for week long trips

Manage and maintain gear including canoes, kitchen, tents etc...

Source and safely process firewood to accommodate cooking needs

Provide navigational briefs to clients and assist in navigating flat and swiftwater

Assist Master Maine Guide in trip decision making, cooking, and managing clients

Summer Camp Lead Teacher

White Pine Programs- York, ME

Lead summer camp wilderness skill programming for groups of 8 students.

Teach and manage groups daily in wilderness settings.

Facilitate a weekly group overnight expedition.

Mentor teen Apprentices

Assistant Teacher/ Ancestral Skills Instructor

Summer 2018

Kroka Expeditions- Marlow, NH

Co-lead trip planning and food/gear packout.

Co-lead trip leading and group management.

Designed curriculum/ co-lead primitive fire focused expedition

Taught ancestral skills and fire building to students.

Taught expedition backpacking/ canoeing skills.

Outdoor cooking for groups of 15+.

Worked daily on farm/ facilities projects.

Assistant Dogsled/ Ski guide

Contracts Winter 2018 & 2021

Mahoosuc Guide Service- Newry ME

Assisted in guiding under Master Maine Guides- Kevin Slater & Polly Mahoney

Dog care/ harnessing

Runaway dogteam rescue

Snowmobile support

Gathering basic camp necessities (wood, water etc...)

Cooking/ general client hospitality for 20+ clients.

Summer 2019

Timber Framer/ Carpenter

Fall 2017

Maine Local Living School- Temple, ME

General carpentry work, framing, boarding, roofing etc...

Basic timber frame construction, joint layout, chipping, raising etc...

Working roundwood, harvesting, milling, scribing, and natural log construction.

Chainsaw use for large timber work, sharpening, and care.

First/ Second Year Apprentice

Summer 2016/ 2017

Kroka Expeditions- Marlow, NH

Assisted with trip planning and food/gear packout.

Assisted with trip leading and group management.

Taught ancestral skills and fire building to students.

Taught expedition backpacking/ canoeing skills.

Backcountry wood fire cooking for groups of 15.

Worked daily on farm/ facilities projects.

Apprentice Summer 2015

Maine Local Living School- Temple ME

Assisted daily with homesteading projects.

Assisted with carpentry projects.

Learned the basics of living a subsistence lifestyle.

Assisted with preparing materials and teaching classes.

Learned traditional skills and handcrafts from master craftsman Chris Knapp.

Completed a three day survival solo.

EDUCATION:

Bachelor of Recreation Resource Management

May 4, 2023

Minor in Folklore Studies

Utah State University - Logan, UT

Completion of Arctic Dreams Winter Semester

Jan-June 2017

Kroka Expeditions- Marlow, NH

Graduated from North Atlantic Regional High School

May 2018

Lewiston, ME

PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS/ INTERESTS:

Friendly, fast learner with a persistent and goal-oriented attitude. Disciplined and self motivated with strong time management skills. Good listener and communicator with hardworking and honest ethics. Consistent and steady temperament even in high stress situations.

Personal interests include expeditioning, green woodworking, singing, and storytelling.

VOLUNTEER WORK:

Scarborough Marsh Audubon Society- assisted with canoe rentals

Mahoosuc Guide Service- assistant wilderness canoe guide

Missionary for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (2019-2021)
Ministry work and extensive leadership training-England & Wales, UK

Serving on the Board of Directors- Maine Local Living School (2023- Present)