



**KAWARTHA LAND TRUST**

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## Volunteer Opportunity: Big (Boyd/Chiminis) Island Stewardship Team

Big (Boyd/Chiminis) Island is the largest undeveloped island in the Kawarthas. It's a unique, remarkable and historic spot where there is so much nature to enjoy, appreciate and more importantly, protect for future generations. It was officially gifted to Kawartha Land Trust (KLT) by Mike and Terry Wilson in March 2016. Thanks to many volunteers, we can proudly look back at the significant strides made during our first year managing this 1,100 acre property. To highlight a few of our accomplishments from last year, volunteers and staff: removed more than 30 loads of debris, garbage and hazards, developed the beginnings of a formal trail network, communicated to local residents and businesses plans for care of, and access to the island, conducted an ecological land classification, evaluated the shoreline for restoration, conducted inventories of plants, animals, geology and historical uses.

### The Opportunity

Join the Big Island Stewardship team to help care for this property to ensure it is a safe spot for people to visit and enjoy. We'll ask that you undertake independent, scheduled monitoring and clean up visits on the island. At minimum the sites on the eastern side of the island. As well as these independent visits, we may ask for your help with shoreline restoration, trail management and other projects. KLT is looking for people willing to commit to regular visits. At minimum once per month through-out the boating season.

### We'll provide

- A map of the landing sites
- A KLT hat and sign for your boat
- Garbage bags, gloves and shovels (if necessary).

### Can you help?

- Do you have 2 to 5 hours on a monthly basis to monitor the island, and walk and clean the shoreline access points?
- Do you have access to a motor boat and required safety equipment (work is also possible by canoe or kayak, but will take more time)?
- The ideal Island steward will be safety minded, exercise good judgement, and have a non-confrontational attitude.



**For more information or to join our team, please contact:**

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**Thank You!**

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