JOB OPENING ANNOUNCEMENT

For more than 30 years, the Children’s Museum of Pittsburgh has provided “innovative museum experiences that inspire joy, creativity and curiosity”. Through high quality exhibits and programs, we provide opportunities to the region’s children for learning and play. We also provide resources and partner with those in the community who share our vision and work with or on behalf of children. We are currently recruiting for the following position:

Art Studio Teaching Artist
Date: December 13, 2019
Status: Fulltime, non-exempt, hourly
Reports to: Art Studio Manager

Position Summary
The Art Studio Teaching Artist creates and integrates art experiences in the Museum and the community in support of the mission. The Art Studio Teaching Artist develops and facilitates creative, exploratory, hands-on experiences with children, families and groups, using the “real stuff” (tools, processes, materials) associated with fine and applied art.

Position Qualifications
- Documentable education or work experience in an appropriate field (e.g. fine or applied art, child development, interactive media, theatrical arts, etc.) required. Substitution of years of experience may be considered equivalent to formal educational training.
- Personal interest and experience in art/hands-on creative endeavors (e.g., sculpture, painting, woodworking, fiber, digital media, etc.)
- Advanced skills and knowledge in one or more art-related field and lends unique experience/insights to the Art Studio team
- Strong communications and interpersonal skills with children, adults and persons from all walks of life and backgrounds is essential.
- The ability to work well with others. Teamwork, patience and positivity are critical.
- Experience in the development and implementation of age-appropriate art activities, based in ongoing research and current understanding of child development is necessary.
- A commitment to continued learning and personal growth.
- Has an interest in and an enthusiasm for working with children, students, educators, administrators and creative peers.
- Flexible thinking and ability to adjust expectations and actions as needed.
- Classroom or informal teaching experience preferred
- A wide assortment of experiences, interests or skills are a strong bonus.
- Leadership skills exemplified by initiative and organization. A high level of communication ability is needed
- Must be available to work one weekend day per week (e.g., Tuesday through Saturday or Sunday through Thursday).
- To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential duty satisfactorily.
- FBI Criminal History (with fingerprints), PA Child Abuse (Act 33) and PA Criminal (Act 34) clearances are required.
Position Duties

- Assists in the crafting of activity proposals for sponsored and special events
- Regularly communicates updates and peer observations, concerns and accolades to the Art Studio Manager
- Acts as a mentor for Art Studio personnel and upholds the highest standards of facilitation, reflection, use of time, safety, etc.
- Actively participates in Art Studio meetings, including those related to research, guest makers, activity creation, professional developments and trainings, etc.
- Assists in the design, coordination and implementation of exhibits and programs as well as schools programs, teacher professional developments and other trainings
- Occasionally travels within the greater Pittsburgh area/region to assist with or lead arts-based educational programs outside of the museum.
- Positively and actively represents Art Studio initiatives to the community.
- Assists in the documentation and creation of content, both written and visual, for the Art Studio web presence, including the blog, Instagram, web calendar and/or email blasts
- Works collaboratively with the Art Studio team to develop, plan and schedule offerings which incorporate the museum values of joy, creativity and curiosity; are supported by the Principles of Practice; and allow for a breadth and depth of material and tool exploration
- Contributes unique expertise and experience to the planning, programming and organizing of space, idea generation and development of Art Studio programs
- Acquires and shares knowledge through peer trainings and professional development opportunities
- Assist in collecting documentation and outcome results from programs and projects of the Art Studio team

If you are interested in applying for this position, please complete our online application found at: [https://pittsburghkids.org/job/jobs](https://pittsburghkids.org/job/jobs). In addition, please submit a resume and cover letter. Please follow the instructions on the application site.

Thank you for your interest.

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