



Title: Glassblower and Hot Glass Instructor (HGI)

Status: Temporary Part Time (20 hours per week) from Feb 1st, 2019 to May 4th, 2019

Reports To: Outreach Coordinator

Summary

The Glassblower and Hot Glass Instructor will work in PGC's hot shop, which will include teaching classes and workshops, doing glassblowing demonstrations, leading tours as well as assisting with production and other special projects. The Hot Glass Instructor will need to work closely with both the administrative and technical staff at PGC and will need to convey a team attitude in all interactions with staff, students and the public.

The Hot Glass Instructor will work with the Creative Projects Manager on special glass products such as Art on Fire centerpieces, architectural projects or other opportunities as they arise.

This position requires an individual with the ability to work a very flexible and sporadic schedule including weekend and evening hours. The Outreach Coordinator will set the schedule for the Hot Glass Instructor and although every effort will be made to maintain plenty of advance notice of scheduling changes some last-minute cancellations or changes may occur.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities

1. Be able to work in a team as well as independently in the Hot Shop as a glassblower
2. Teach workshops to people of all ages and abilities
3. Applicants must be comfortable working with the public and speaking in front of groups
4. Performs other work as required.

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities

The Glassblower and Hot Glass Instructor should have knowledge of the glassblowing process and should themselves be trained as a glassblower. They need to have knowledge of the production process for glassblowing as well as how to work within a team in the hot shop.

Education/Experience Requirements

At least 5 years glassblowing experience.

Physical Demands

The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodation may be used to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions. While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to stand on concrete floors; use hands to blow glass; and talk or hear. The employee may occasionally lift and/or move up to 50 pounds. The work environment characteristics are representative of those an employee encounters in an studio environment.

This position description in no way states or implies that these are the only job duties to be performed by the employee(s) in this position. Employee(s) will be required to follow any other job-related instructions and to perform any other job-related duties requested by any person authorized to give instructions or assignments.

Salary & Benefits

The salary for the part-time position is \$20 per hour. Employee will also receive 6 hours per week (2 three-hour sessions) in the hot shop at no cost and will have access to the cold shop at no cost during employment. The position starts on February 1, 2019 and goes until May 4th, 2019.



Diversity Statement

PGC is dedicated to the goal of building a culturally diverse staff that is committed to teaching and working in a multicultural environment and strongly encourages applications from minorities and women.

The Pittsburgh Glass Center values equality of opportunity, human dignity, and racial/ethnic and cultural diversity. The Pittsburgh Glass Center does not discriminate against individuals on the basis of race, color, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, religion, disability, age, veteran status, ancestry, or national or ethnic origin in the administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, employment policies, scholarship programs, and other PGC administered programs and activities.

To Apply

Submit a cover letter with your interest in the position, current resume, three references with phone and email (no letters), and five images of your work to Jason Forck via email at jason@pittsburghglasscenter.org or via mail 5472 Penn Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15206 by January 10, 2019. Successful applicants will be notified by January 15th, 2019 and the position will start February 1st, 2019.

About PGC

Pittsburgh Glass Center is a nonprofit, public access school, gallery and state-of-the-art glass studio dedicated to teaching, creating and promoting glass art. World-renowned artists come here to make studio glass art. People interested in learning more about glass come here to take a class, explore the contemporary gallery and watch live hot glass demonstrations.

As one of the top glass art centers in the world, we pride ourselves on providing exceptional resources and instruction to expand the skills and knowledge of our students and artists. We strive to foster a new generation of glass artists and enthusiasts here in the Pittsburgh region.

Pittsburgh Glass Center is an important arts organization in Pittsburgh that is helping the city connect its history as a major producer in glass to its creative future through the innovative use of glass as art.

Mission

Glass Art: We teach it. We create it. We promote it. We support those who make it.

Vision

PGC fuels a thriving glass art ecosystem of people, facilities and innovative programming that together shape our region's creative economy. From the casually curious to the master artist, PGC welcomes and nurtures everyone so they are **amazed, inspired and transformed**.

Scope & Audiences

We share our passion locally, nationally and internationally to make the glass art community more diverse, vibrant and accessible.

Guiding Principles

Our guiding principles of creativity, collaboration, sustainability, diversity, and excellence, enable us to extend our region's proud glass legacy far into the future.