Summer Teaching Artist Position Job Description

Position: Summer Teaching Artist  
Hours: 35 hours/week  
Status & Location: Non-exempt, temporary; Detroit, MI and travel within a 20-mile radius  
Reporting Relationships: This position reports to the Programs Manager, and works with various stakeholders to assure attainment of organizational and individual goals.  
Compensation: $25/hour

About Mosaic Youth Theatre of Detroit
Mosaic empowers young people to maximize their potential through transformative arts experiences on and off stage. With arts as the motivating catalyst Mosaic develops and inspires the behaviors and critical life and learning skills youth need to have successful, empowered lives through adulthood.

Why We Need You
An exceptional camp experience comes from more than well maintained spaces and great programming, it takes the right people. Help us facilitate fun-filled youth arts experiences that heal, connect and inspire.

Mosaic is seeking enthusiastic, highly skilled Teaching Artists for part-time, seasonal contract employment for our 2022 Summer Programs. As a Teaching Artist, you will be a mentor to young artists, conducting weekly sessions that explore various and specific themes through theater, vocal music, dance. Teaching Artists will guide youth to develop a culminating presentation to be filmed for their peers and family. Teaching Artists will demonstrate experience in one of the following disciplines: theatre/drama, dance, or vocal music in support of Mosaic’s creative youth development camps and workshops.

Applicants must be committed to working with young people in grades 3-8 and able to collaborate with other teaching artists and team members. Eligible candidates will be required to develop and implement activities in connection with our curriculums and camp themes.
Summer Outdoor Camp Schedule
Mosaic Summer Camp Session 1: June 27-July 8, 2022
Monday-Thursday 8:00am-4pm, camp days
Fridays 9:00am-Noon, planning and development

Mosaic Summer Camp Session 2: July 11-July 22, 2022
Monday-Thursday 8:00am-4pm, camp days
Fridays 9:00am-Noon, planning and development

Mosaic Summer Camp Session 3: July 25-August 5, 2022
Monday-Thursday 8:00am-4pm, camp days
Fridays 9:00am-Noon, planning and development

Primary Responsibilities
● Deliver quality music, movement and theater instruction that meet or exceed expectations established by Mosaic’s leadership and curriculum team.
● Implement activities for assigned camp groups to meet youth needs and abilities in the area of vocal music, theater or dance.
● Communicate regularly with parents and team members, striving to maintain program quality.
● Direct performance(s), music direct, or accompany & support camp workshops, performances, auditions as necessary.
● Collaborate with program coordinator(s) and site partner(s) regarding the evaluation of curriculum and implementation particularly in the area of theater, musical theatre, and vocal technique and pedagogy.
● Attend all teaching artists meetings, trainings, and scheduled check-ins with artistic leadership and camp team.
● Lead by practicing good pedagogy and model the expectations set forth for all teaching artists.
● Collaborate with young artists and Teaching Artist cohort to devise culminating performance.
● Attend paid orientation prior to camps starting, dates and times to be determined.

What we’re looking for in a candidate
● Passion for youth, arts and equity in arts education.
● Knowledge of creative youth development, healing centered and/or trauma informed practices.
● Artistic Excellence, including quality and scope of professional artistic work, and depth of knowledge within theater, vocal music or dance/creative movement.
● Engaging Teaching, especially incorporating the creative process, reaching youth across diverse developmental levels, yielding quality student experiences and work, substantial experience in teaching youth in grades 3-8, including strong behavior management skills.
Professionalism, including abilities to plan with others, articulate goals and objectives, and to adapt to varying student populations and teaching environments.

Strong verbal communication skills – a persuasive and passionate communicator with excellent interpersonal skills and the ability to work closely with people from diverse cultures and economic backgrounds.

Self-motivation, accuracy, and ability to manage and meet multiple deadlines

**Additional Attributes**

The successful candidate will embrace the essential components of a strong team: open communication, trust, respect, loyalty, and shared vision.

**Essential functions/physical demands**

- Some travel may be required as a part of program delivery, training and meeting participation.
- Some evening and weekend hours may be required.
- Some heavy lifting, moving of supplies, setting up/tearing down of camp(s)

**To apply**

Take some time to familiarize yourself with our organization, what we do, and what we believe in. Then, if this seems like a community you’d like to be a part of, please email hr@mosaicdetroit.org with the subject line “Summer Teaching Artist” and send the following:

- A resume and cover letter detailing training and experience as a teaching artist or both an artist and a teacher.
- A lesson plan activity (approx. 5 minutes) that demonstrates an interactive experience using your primary art form that would be conducive to youth in grades 2-5 or 6-8. Lesson plans must be interactive, grade appropriate and designed to showcase applicants artistry, classroom experience and approach to creative youth development work. (may be submitted as a written document or as a video)
- Please note: Candidates are subject to a criminal background check prior to hiring in accordance with Mosaic Youth Theatre of Detroit’s policy on working with minors.
- Please submit all materials to hr@mosaicdetroit.org by April 15, 2022.

Finalist candidates will be contacted for an interview. No calls, please.