Per Diem Teaching Artist

Status: Contractual
Reports to: Curator of Education
Date Posted: June 2024
Salary: $30-40 Hourly

SUMMARY:

The Katonah Museum of Art is seeking a dynamic and creative Teaching Artist to join our Education Department on a per diem basis. The Teaching Artist will be responsible for developing and facilitating art-based programs, workshops, and interactive experiences for diverse audiences, including families, youth visitors, and community participants. The ideal candidate will have a strong background in art and education, with the ability to engage and inspire diverse participants.

DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Collaborate with the Education staff to develop creative arts activities for children ages 2-12 that align with the Museum's exhibitions and artworks on view.
- Facilitate hands-on, art making workshops, projects, and activity tables for programs such as School’s Out/Art’s In, Family Day, and offsite community events.
- Lead onsite Birthday Parties and facilitate art projects for 15-20 participants.
- Prepare and maintain art supplies and materials for classes and workshops.
- Assist with special events and offsite community outreach programs as needed.
- Provide feedback and evaluation of programs to help improve and refine educational offerings.
- Maintain a safe and inclusive learning environment for all participants.
- Attend trainings and professional development workshops.
- Work closely with volunteers and docents.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Bachelor’s degree in Art, Art Education, Museum Studies, Studio Art, or a related field.
- Prior experience teaching arts education in a range of settings including museums, cultural institutions, schools, or community centers.
- Strong knowledge of art techniques, art history, and contemporary art practices.
- Ability to facilitate artmaking workshops across a broad range of art materials and practices.
- Availability to work on a per diem basis, including weekends, holidays, and occasional evenings.
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills.
- Flexibility and adaptability to work with diverse audiences and in different settings.
• Bilingual Proficiency preferred (Spanish)

Application:

Interested candidates should submit a cover letter and resume. Please submit these materials to education@katonahmuseum.org, include “Teaching Artist” in the subject line, and indicate where you saw the job posted.

The Katonah Museum of Art is an equal opportunity employer and considers all candidates for employment regardless of race, color, gender, age, national origin, creed, disability, marital status, sexual orientation, or political affiliation. Applications from BIPOC, persons with disabilities, women, LGBTQ+, and other underrepresented applicants are encouraged.

Research shows that women and people from underrepresented groups often apply to jobs only if they meet 100% of the qualifications. We recognize that it is unlikely that someone meets 100% of the qualifications for a role. If much of this job description describes you, then please apply for this role.

About the Katonah Museum of Art:

About 50 miles north of New York City, on the Metro North Harlem Line, the KMA is located in Katonah, New York, a hamlet in the Town of Bedford with a rich historical past and a vibrant present. Katonah is a walkable town with main street vitality, a burgeoning gallery scene, and an abundance of community-organized cultural programming. It is also home to the Caramoor Center for Music and the Arts and the John Jay Homestead, and is positioned as a gateway to the Hudson Valley.

Established in 1954, the Katonah Museum of Art is a non-collecting institution accredited by the American Alliance of Museums. Dedicated to the promotion and understanding of visual art and cultural heritage through exhibitions and education programs, the KMA is committed to presenting exceptional art from across cultures and time periods, from pre-modern to contemporary. The KMA mounts three to four exhibitions annually, covering a broad range of art and humanities while responding to the most critical issues of our time through a bold and vigorous lens. The institution offers lectures, films, workshops, concerts, and other events for a general audience and presents innovative and substantive programs for over 100 member schools.

The Pollack Family Learning Center is one of the only interactive spaces in Westchester County where children can come on a daily basis to explore and create art. Designed by eminent Modernist architect Edward Larrabee Barnes, the intimate museum building is nestled in the surrounding landscape, inviting light and natural beauty to its atrium and galleries. It perfectly ascribes to Barnes’s ideals of simplicity and functionality. The Katonah Museum of Art serves as a welcoming and anchoring cultural institution within its local community, for all ages and backgrounds, as well as for frequent visitors from New York City, Westchester County, and the Tri-State Area.