

# Professional Artists in the Schools (PAS) Teaching Artist - Visual Arts, Music, Theater or Dance

Reports To: Chief Programs Officer Designation: Seasonal, non-exempt Salary Range: \$38-\$54 per hour Ideal Start Date: Rolling Timeline

The mission of the Arts Council for Monterey County (Arts4MC) is to improve the quality of life for everyone in our region through the arts.

Arts4MC integrates the arts into the curriculum of K-12 schools and community centers by placing professional visual and performing artists throughout Monterey County. The length of a program can be 2 hours to 200 hours based on a site's schedule, needs and budget/funding.

# **Position Summary:**

Professional artists conduct classes and workshops with youth and/or adults in a specific arts discipline, which is chosen by site program manager. Program participants explore their own creativity while developing their problem-solving skills and imagination, resulting in an awareness of their own creative abilities, academic/personal achievements and career pathways.

Teaching Artists have the unique opportunity to have an impact on the entire community, inschools/community centers and outside of the classroom. Teaching Artists create and deliver high-quality, authentic and engaging curriculum, become a trusted part of the community, and contribute to a site climate and environment that is inclusive, creative and aspirational.

In addition to a regular teaching schedule, Teaching Artists will perform administrative duties related to correspondence, professional development, student learning and pedagogy, and community dynamics.

# **Qualifications and Training**

# Required:

- Minimum one to two years teaching experience.
- Demonstrate in-depth knowledge, expertise and teaching in a specific arts discipline.
- Demonstrate in-depth knowledge of or a familiarity with the California Arts Standards.
- Ability to work collaboratively in an school/community center environment and with various communities.

#### Preferred:

- B.A.
- Bilingual in Spanish/English.
- Experience working within a public-school setting.
- Experience working with low-income communities.

## Position Attributes:

- 1. Creative
- 2. Dependable
- 3. Enthusiastic/Eager
- 4. Organized
- 5. Good Judgment

# Responsibilities:

- Teach an arts discipline across multiple grade-levels;
- Develop a sequential, standards-based curriculum in the arts;
- Submit documentation of teaching practice, including curriculum and assessment tools;
- Address the learning needs of diverse student populations;
- Represent Arts4MC amongst multiple school community stakeholders, including classroom teachers, parents, administration, and donors;
- Apply knowledge and skills through ongoing professional development into teaching practice;
- Respond to emails & other communications, and submit payroll hours/expense reports in a timely manner.

#### **Working Conditions:**

Teaching Artists will routinely:

- Lift, push, pull or carry art supplies, equipment, instruments and classroom furniture weighing up to 25 lbs.
- Bend, twist, reach, stand and/or sit for long periods of time.

## How to Apply:

Please submit a cover letter, resume, lesson plan sample and examples of student projects to Karyn Lee-Garcia, Chief Programs Officer, to <a href="mailto:karyn@arts4mc.org">karyn@arts4mc.org</a> with subject line "Teaching Artist". The position is open until filled.

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Arts Council for Monterey County is an equal opportunity employer (EOE) and dedicated to better reflecting the communities we serve. The Arts Council is actively taking steps to meet our commitment to diversity and to building an inclusive environment for people of all backgrounds and ages. We especially encourage members of historically underrepresented communities to apply for this position, including women, people of color, LGBTQ people and people with disabilities.