Teaching Artist – Harlem School of the Arts
Employment Opportunity

Harlem School of the Arts seeks passionate, experienced teaching artists to provide arts training to students at its Herb Alpert Center in Harlem as well as in school and community partnership locations. As we plan our staffing, we anticipate Teaching Artist opportunities may be available in Theater, Dance, Music, and Media & Design. Teaching Artists are professional artists who teach and integrate their art form, perspectives, and skills into classroom settings. Classes will be taught either on-site at Harlem School of the Arts or at community and partner school locations in locations around New York City.

This is an exciting opportunity to contribute to the mission, growth, and success of this award-winning, historically important arts institution. The successful candidate will value the rich cultural history and diversity of the community and be passionate about arts education.

Note that as of September 25, 2021 Harlem School of the Arts requires that all teaching artists be compliant with its COVID-19 vaccination policy, which requires that all on site staff be fully vaccinated.

**Job Summary:**

HSA teaching artists should have a track record of artistic excellence in their professional artistic work as well as a demonstrated depth of knowledge within an artistic discipline. Teaching artists will collaborate with the HSA team to customize arts programming and lesson plans across diverse age and ability levels. A strong understanding of arts learning standards and experience adapting curriculum for different age groups and learning environments is required. Experience in public school classrooms is a strong plus.

Successful candidates will enjoy working with children and have formal experience in arts education, an arts discipline or traditional arts practice. He or she will be eager to cultivate relationships within a diverse, multicultural community. Teaching artist positions are part-time, non-exempt positions and may include some weekend and evening hours depending upon class schedules.

We are seeking teaching artists in the following disciplines:

- **Media & Design** (Animation, Art Exploration, Drawing Fundamentals, Coding)
- **Dance** (Ballet, Jazz, Ballet-Based Contemporary, African, Hip Hop)
- **Theater** (Acting, Improvisation, Acting for TV/Film, Stage Combat, Voice/Dialect, Audition Techniques, Stage Movement, Musical Theater, Technical Theater)
- **Music** (General Music, Jazz Education, Band, Woodwinds, Violin, Accompanists)
The ideal candidate will be:

- Engaging in his or her teaching methods, yielding quality student work
- Confident in busy, non-traditional classroom settings
- Collaborative and cooperative, with an interest in interdisciplinary learning and shared goals
- Experienced in classroom management techniques
- Organized, reliable, well-prepared, and consistent

Qualifications:

- Professional experience in the art form and extensive training at a respected institution, studio, or conservatory
- Bachelor’s Degree in arts and/or arts education or a related field or equivalent professional experience, Master’s Degree a plus
- 2+ years experience teaching students in a school or community setting
- Demonstrated experience delivering high quality instruction to children (greatest demand for teaching artists experienced with ages 8-18)
- Experience creating developmentally appropriate sequential lesson plans
- Ability to assess progress and success of students and adapt as needed (in teaching style, materials, equipment, and, sequencing)
- Spanish language skills a plus

To Apply:

To apply for the Teaching Artist position, please submit a resume and cover letter to employment@hsanyc.org Please indicate Teaching Artist 2021 in the subject line.

Location

Harlem School of the Arts is located at 645 St. Nicholas Avenue in Harlem. It is easily accessible via the A,C,B, and D subway trains. Teaching locations may be at Harlem School of the Arts or at other community and school locations in Upper Manhattan.

About Harlem School of the Arts:

Harlem School of the Arts enriches the lives of young people and their families through world-class training in and exposure to the arts across multiple disciplines (Media & Design, Music, Dance and Theater) in an environment that emphasizes
rigorous training, stimulates creativity, builds self-confidence, and adds a dimension of beauty to their lives.

Harlem School of the Arts is able to achieve this with the exceptional participation of our family of loyal donors, dedicated parents, involved alumni and generous guest and resident artists.

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