

Youth Arts Movement (YAM) Assistant Teaching Artist

Organization Synopsis:	Arts on the Block (AOB) is the only organization in the Washington, DC area offering youth the opportunity to learn about the intersection of art, design, and business by engaging them in real-world art projects. Since its founding in 2003, AOB's mission has been to empower creative youth to imagine and shape fulfilling futures, join the workforce, and contribute to the quality of life in their communities. AOB achieves its mission by providing real-world experiences in the arts, educational guidance, and entrepreneurial training geared to one's unique capabilities. Our target audience is young people ages 4 to 24, the majority of whom live and attend school in Montgomery County, Maryland.
Position Synopsis:	AOB is seeking a curious, dependable, and creative individual to assist a seasoned teaching artist within our Youth Arts Movement (YAM) program. A YAM Assistant Teaching Artist will work closely with the Lead Teaching Artist and the YAM Manager to develop and deliver quality visual art programming for young creatives, ages 4 through 13 years old. Candidates should possess an interest in visual arts, be adept with various visual art materials and/or techniques, be organized, curious about teaching and learning strategies, and have a good sense of positive youth development principles.
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Work Site:	Work location will vary depending on funding and the impact of covid-19 (and variants). Please inquire with AOB staff as to work site specifics. The summer 2022 YAM sites will be at either Eastern Middle School (Langley Park) or Banneker Middle School (Briggs Chaney/Burtonsville).
Hours:	12 hours/week - Mon, Wed, and Fri
Direct Supervisor:	YAM Manager
Salary:	Commensurate with experience.
Duties/ Responsibilities:	 Assist the Lead TA to develop a YAM curriculum outline for the cohort plus a corresponding art supply list. This includes assisting with PowerPoints or other program-specific documents or tools that aid in effective and meaningful teaching and learning environment Support the Lead TA with the organization of the cohort roster and other documents (hard copy and/or within AOB's Google Drive) Assist with correspondences to and from YAM families. Help to foster the YAM cohort's creativity and safety Teach one or more Elements of Art or Principles of Design, combined with STEM elements. Providing opportunities for strengthening literacy skills - is a plus. Contribute to and participate in YAM staff meetings; provide cohort updates, and help staff find opportunities within programmatic successes and challenges; Help YAM'ers document and sharing of YAM artworks during Open House events and others; Contribute constructive feedback to help improve programming.

Minimum Qualifications:	 High School degree or higher An interest in youth development, community engagement, and/or teaching and learning through art Experience working with diverse communities Demonstrated visual art skills Organized and efficient yet also creative and willing to take positive risks "Can-do" attitude, flexible, enjoy working in teams, and can work independently Excellent people skills; able to communicate professionally and congenially with people of all ages Ability to work in both Apple and Microsoft operating systems and standard office software An openness to learn new skills 	
Desirable Qualifications:	 Aspirations for career advancement in youth work, community arts and/or art education Experience assisting with and/or teaching others Good organizational and communications skills A good understanding of how to create art within at least two visual art genres (painting, printmaking, photography, mural making, mosaic art, etc.) Good with MS Office Suite, and Google Drive Good with one or more ADOBE Suite apps Experience with social media (blogging, website management, Facebook, Twitter) Fluent in Spanish a plus, but not necessary 	
Please send a cover letter and résumé to cevans@artsontheblock.com with "Assistant Teaching Artist" in the subject line. Applications will not be accepted by mail.		
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