

### **LEAD TEACHING ARTIST - Part-Time**

# **About the Organization:**

For over 45 years ArtsConnection (AC) has been one of New York City's most comprehensive arts education organizations with programs in the performing, visual, and media arts. We provide arts education that taps into students' individuality and creativity to help them forge new pathways to navigate their education and future, while building critical thinking, creative problem solving, heightened self-esteem, literacy and strong communicative abilities. Programs are led by 140 racially, ethnically and culturally diverse teaching artists whose distinctive and varied artistic perspectives inspire, guide and support students. Each year, AC partners with NYC public schools (grades pre-K through12) across the five boroughs, providing artist residencies, professional development for teachers and artists, and family arts events. Out-of-school-time (OST) Teen Programs link the city's cultural resources to the developmental and educational needs of teens, while providing space for artistic expression, experiential learning, career and leadership development. Our work, while rooted in New York City, has been an award-winning and sought-after model on a national scale.

### We are intentionally building a path towards equity by:

Using the arts as a platform to imagine an alternative future

Integrating the processes developed by the organization-wide Community Care-Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Access Committee and understanding that we all have a place in this work

Identifying and uplifting the assets that exist within our community of young people, artists, educators and arts leaders/administrators

Transforming policies, procedures, practices, and programs (e.g., shifting our artist and staff hiring processes to be more equitable)

#### **About the Position:**

Reporting to one or more of our Program Directors (In-School Programs, Teen Programs, and Professional Learning), lead teaching artists play an essential role in advancing ArtsConnection's mission through the delivery of arts education programs and services.

### Responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- Facilitation of arts residencies and programming in alignment with ArtsConnection's Joyful, Liberatory Arts Education Framework (JLAEF) for young people in grades PreK through 12
- Development of written curriculum for programs that addresses goals of ArtsConnection and schools/ partners, curriculum aligns to JLAEF and other established standards, includes development of specific arts skills and knowledge while building toward a culminating product
- Participation in ArtsConnection professional learning opportunities/ trainings (paid)
- Proactive and professional communication with ArtsConnection staff, school partners, corporate partners, and participants
- Confirmation of hours worked in Caspio system and other related administrative tasks
- Serve as an excellent representative of ArtsConnection, consistently modelling our <u>Equity</u>, <u>Diversity</u>, <u>Inclusion</u>, and <u>Access</u> (<u>EDIA</u>) Values

# **Qualifications:**

- Minimum of 3 years of experience with teaching one's art form(s) with young people in public school/ community settings with groups ranging from 15-32 students
- Ability and willingness to travel to school sites throughout the five boroughs
- Ongoing commitment to professional growth, strong interest in ArtsConnection's approach and desire to strengthen one's teaching practice
- Excellent communication skills, ability to communicate effectively with external corporate partners, students, teachers, and parents/ families
- Experience with students with disabilities and multilingual learners is a plus, bilingual artists are encouraged to apply

## **Compensation and Benefits:**

- Starting hourly rate for teaching is \$57/hr, other work is paid at various hourly rates depending on type of work
- Paid sick leave
- Access to a 401k retirement account after 60 days of employment, employees can elect a percentage of their pay to be deposited into their retirement account
- Planning time compensation provided at \$30 per teaching session
- Curriculum compensation is \$60 total for a completed residency map
- Optional peer learning opportunities and required professional learning workshops paid at \$30 per hour

ArtsConnection is an equal opportunity employer. We have a strong commitment to equity and inclusion, and value the leadership and skills of people from diverse backgrounds. People of color, LGBTQ+ persons, and people from other historically marginalized backgrounds are encouraged to apply.

Deadline to Apply: Applications are accepted on a rolling basis and reviewed in the summer. No calls please