Teaching Artist

This position will work in partnership with classroom teachers to assist in integrating the arts into the core content curriculum, as well as develop and deliver arts lessons to students. The successful candidate must have 5 years of related experience. They must have a passion and experience teaching public school students Pre k - 12th grade as well as experience collaborating with classroom teachers. They must also have experience integrating arts into a variety of curriculum and experience working with community-based arts organizations.

Job Responsibilities

- Provide direct, instructional support and guidance to teachers integrating the fine arts within their classrooms and embedded throughout their curriculum(s).
- Develop, select and model lessons that meaningfully integrate the fine arts as an instructional strategy and incorporate use of arts integration.
- Collaborate with teachers to develop lesson plans to improve student performance in academic subjects through
 arts integration. Assists teachers in developing accommodations and adaptions to ensure full participation of all
 students.
- Assists teachers in creating an arts integrated classroom environment that provides for student involvement in learning process and enables each student to achieve their learning objectives by guiding teachers.
- Provide input regarding the planning of instructional goals, objectives and methods in arts integration.
- Participates in and delivers arts integration professional development to staff members.
- Assist in creation and implementation of art activities.
- Builds relationships with community-based art organization to create partnerships.
- Performs other related duties as required and assigned.

Position Requirements

- Bachelor's degree or higher in combination with related arts integration and direct classroom experience, practicing artist a plus.
- No less than 5 years' experience of working with public school children in multidisciplinary media
- Ability to design programs aligned with the National Common Core and Illinois State Standards.
- Ability to articulate the cognitive development processes which emerge during the art-making practice and represent those processes through visual display.
- Experience with VTS and object-based inquiry.
- Commitment to strengthening teaching practice through feedback, professional development and collaboration.

How to apply:

Please email your resume/CV and cover letter to sdiaz@ofa4illinois.org. Please indicate your last name and "Teaching Artist" in the subject line. If available, please include URL, lesson plan sample and images of student and/or classroom teacher collaboration work. No phone calls please - we will respond to those candidates whose qualifications are best aligned with the components of this job description.