

# Artz for the Harp Corporation



## MUSIC TEACHING ASSISTANT INTERNSHIP

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Artz for the Harp is a nonprofit arts organization that provides harps and harp classes, lessons and camps to students throughout the Atlanta area. We also seek to better communities who need us most, through the use of music instruction as a positive artistic outlet. For this internship, our goal is to provide instruction to Senior Citizens in: retirement communities, assisted living facilities, community centers, and hospitals throughout the year. Our focus is on providing arts based instruction and musical activities that will develop basic music theory and history skills, teach the fundamentals of the harp through practice and performance, as well as reinforcing prior music skills and songs learned earlier in life, that have the ability to increase memory and cognitive abilities.

### **Skills taught through AFTH, but not limited to:**

Harp Position, posture, and techniques

Basic Music Theory

Music through the ages

How to play a familiar tune

Solo/ Group Ensemble Work

Interns will not be responsible for teaching harp, only assisting in group instruction, classroom management, teaching basic music theory and reinforcement of skills taught as well as light administrative work. Interns must also attend all recitals/concerts during internship.

### **Timeframes**

***Fall/ Winter Semester:*** 10 to 15 hours per week during fall/winter semester

***Summer Semester:*** 20 hours per week

This music internship is most beneficial to music majors. However, some music minors may qualify if they have previous musical training/experience. This is also the perfect internship, for students interested in becoming involved with the nonprofit world.

This music internship will allow students to gain real world experience in basic music instruction with adult learners. Students will also become familiar with all the moving parts of a nonprofit organization, from fundraising, to board meeting information, strategic planning and grant writing do's and don'ts.

**Further Responsibilities of a Music Teaching Assistant:**

1. Guide students in improving their musical skills
2. Assist in classroom instruction
3. Grading short fun brain stimulating musical exercises
4. Informal observation of students to assist them with needs
5. Encourage students and give students positive constructive feedback
6. Assist with planning of mini recitals/concerts
7. Set up and Breakdown of classrooms (includes load in and load out of small harps & materials)
8. Assist in providing a safe, secure, nurturing environment for instruction
9. Assisting with collection of pertinent forms, light admin work
10. Have fun!

**Requirements**

Student must be in good academic standing, no less than a 2.5 GPA.

Student must be at least a sophomore at attending school

Student must have reliable transportation to get to and from worksites on time.

Student must attend intern/volunteer training

Student must attend and assist with recitals/concerts.

Student must have a positive attitude☺

**Internship Dates:** Ongoing basis, as needed

**Intern Schedule:** flexible and will be arranged to meet the current needs of AFTH and Intern.

**Submittal Procedure:** Submit resume and cover letter to: [ARTZFORTHEHARP@GMAIL.COM](mailto:ARTZFORTHEHARP@GMAIL.COM)

Applicants will be interviewed by phone, skype or in person as determined.