Teaching Artist – Visual and Multimedia Arts

About Creative Art Works
Creative Art Works (“CAW”) is a 37-year-old nonprofit that improves the lives of thousands under-resourced youth each year through in-school and out-of-school-time classes, community art-making events, and our renowned public art youth employment program. Working in NYC public schools, community centers, juvenile justice settings and parks, CAW provides dynamic arts experiences for youth who otherwise lack access. Our programs build confidence, unlock a love of learning, and teach valuable technical, social/emotional, life and job skills, all while creating profound connections between our young constituents, their art and their communities.

Summary
Creative Art Works seeks dynamic and experienced Teaching Artists for in-person placements during the 2023-2024 academic year for in-school and out-of-school-time programs. Successful candidates will demonstrate strong professional experience in visual and/or multimedia arts and equally strong experience teaching children, teens and/or young adults. Core service areas in Upper Manhattan and the Bronx, with select programs in Brooklyn and Queens. Programs include:

• Visual Arts (painting, drawing, printmaking, zine making, sculpture, cartooning, mixed media)
• Multimedia Arts (digital drawing, graphic design, poster-making, character design, photography, filmmaking, animation)

Responsibilities
• Commit to the duration of the program, and to the artistic process as a vehicle for youth development
• Collaborate with program management staff to develop or refine existing curriculum and implement programs
• Understand and embrace program goals and ensure they are met throughout the program process
• Represent Creative Art Works in interactions with program partners and other stakeholders
• Embrace the role of mentor and model respectful communication with other staff and youth
• Participate in professional development sessions
• Deliver accurate and timely documentation, including attendance, evaluations, lesson plans, photos and time sheets
• Prepare youth artwork for exhibition(s) and culminating events

Requirements
• BA/BFA in Art, Arts Education or a related field
• Will consider an equivalent combination of relevant education and experience.
• Minimum 3 years of experience teaching youth in either school or community-based settings
• Familiarity with city, state and national learning standards
• Strong cultural competency skills and comfort/experience in addressing social justice topics and socially-engaged art
• Passion for Creative Youth Development
• Strong classroom management skills
• Fully vaccinated for COVID-19
• Clear NYC’s PETS background check system and CAW’s background check system

Skills that are a “plus”:
• Master’s Degree
• Proficiency or fluency in Spanish
• Ability to teach both visual arts and multimedia arts programs
• Experience in restorative justice and/or workforce development
• NY State Teacher Certification
• Experience working within the NYC school system
• Experience working collaboratively with core teachers and managing teaching artist assistants
• New York City life experience strongly preferred

Pay:
• $45-50 per hour for all hours worked including, teaching youth, prep time, lesson planning, staff coordination and professional development workshops
• CAW on occasion hires Teaching Artist Assistants (TAAs) and cultivates them throughout the year at rates commensurate with experience
To Apply
Please email the following to teachingartistjobs@creativeartworks.org, with “[Your Name]: Teaching Artist” in the subject line:

- Resume
- Cover Letter (including where you saw this listing)
- Student artwork from a lesson taught
- Sample lesson plan
- Personal art portfolio

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