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Eco-Art Arts Educator in Residence – 2 Positions available

Position Overview: The Artist Boat, Inc seeks motivated and creative arts educator to deliver an Eco-Art Residency to an elementary school in Galveston and Houston. This educator will deliver and develop Artist Boat hands-on arts curriculum to K-5th grade students as an environmental educator, use the arts as a vehicle for teaching scientific principles and powers of observation, and participate in relevant professional development workshops held by campus administration or Artist Boat. The Eco-Art Arts Educator will report directly to the Eco-Art Program Director and fellow Eco-Art Educators with other grants and programs during days schools are closed (ex: spring break, Christmas break, etc).

Responsibilities will include but not be limited to:

Curriculum Development

The Eco-Art Arts Educator will be responsible for developing and enhancing Artist Boat curricula to be age level appropriate in conjunction with the Eco-Art Environmental Educator, utilizing an outdoor classroom on the campus as the cornerstone of the teaching environment, and integrating art and science. This educator will serve as a professional lecturer/educator on campus, demonstrating to teachers and the community the benefits of multidisciplinary and inquiry based learning founded in the discipline of visual art. This educator is expected to demonstrate the benefits of teaching in an outdoor classroom, using the arts as a vehicle for teaching scientific principles and powers of observation. Lessons will demonstrate the power of art as a tool for learning. All activities will teach students how to appropriately use artistic tools while creating artwork that will help enhance the beauty and learning curve of the school.

Design, Fabricate, and Install Art

The Eco-Art Arts Educator will be responsible for designing, fabricating and installing children's art into a large-scale piece that will be used to enhance beauty and learning on the campus. Projects can range in, large murals requiring several students to work collaboratively, large scale mosaics that would require at least 100 of student pieces to create an image or understanding of what is being taught about the environment during that semester, posters and/or postcards designed by students for the community to see and learn from, etc.

Afterschool/Summer Program

The Eco-Art Arts Educator will be responsible for developing curricula and delivering hands-on, minds-in lessons for the afterschool and/or summer program at Browning Elementary. Must work collaboratively with the Eco-Art Environmental Educator at Browning Elementary for an interdisciplined program and to design, fabricate, and install an art piece created by the students of the program.

Assist with Eco-Art Workshops and Adventures

The Eco-Art Arts Educator will be required to assist with other programs and grants during times that the school will be closed. Those duties may entail but are not limited to: grant writing, announcements, press, public adventures (via walking, kayaking, and vessel), private adventures (via walking, kayaking, and vessel), recording and analyzing program statistics, laying tile, installing art, restoring habitat, curriculum development and so on. Each of these programs may require travel around the Galveston Bay

region. The Artist Boat office is located on Galveston Island and most of these tasks will begin at the office.

Qualifications: The ideal candidate will possess the following qualifications:

- Bachelor's degree in fine arts;
- Experience in discipline of science;
- Passionate commitment to environmental and arts mission-driven programs;
- Exceptional project management skills, with the ability to set priorities, plan tasks, and manage multiple projects simultaneously with strong attention to deadlines;
- Reliable, personable, and outgoing, able to work independently while part of an interrelated, small team environment; and
- Excel, Windows, Apple computer familiarity, and Internet research skills.

Compensation: Based on background starting salary will begin between \$19,500 and \$25,000. Annual raises are driven by performance and increased efficiency of job requirements. Benefits include health care stipend, vacation and leave, and dynamic work environment perfect for self-starters and independent thinkers.

To Apply: Please mail a resume, cover letter, and three letters of reference to Rani Henderson, 2415 Avenue K, Galveston, Texas 77550. Do not fax or email applications. All applications must be submitted by July 18, 2009. Interviews will be conducted July 21- 24, 2009. Job Starting Date: NO LATER Than August 10, 2009.

The Artist Boat is an equal opportunity employer, committed to modeling our mission through promoting diversity in the workplace. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply. Artist Boat is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to promoting awareness and preservation of coastal margins and the marine environment through the disciplines of the sciences and the arts.