



Art and Autism Program Teaching Assistant

Brookline Arts Center is seeking a teaching assistant for two courses designed for young adults, ages 18-22, with autism spectrum disorder or related disabilities this fall. Students in the program are enrolled from Brookline Public Schools or the Ivy Street School. The position will assist with curriculum planning and classes, tracking individual growth, and communication with parents and partner schools.

Time Commitment

The classes run September 26 through December 14, 2017. Ability to commit to the full semester is desired for approximately 8-10 hours per week.

Classes are offered as followed:

Introduction to Drawing and Painting

Tuesdays, Sept. 26-Dec. 5 from 12:00-2:00pm

This class is for students new to drawing and painting and for those with more experience. The class introduces drawing and painting and allows students to strengthen their skills. Students explore different drawing materials, techniques and vocabulary. The class is designed to allow each student to progress and practice at their own pace with curriculum designed for each student's unique learning style.

Drawing, Painting and Mixed Media

Thursdays, Sept. 28-Dec. 14 from 12:00-2:00pm

This class allows students to explore various mediums including drawing, painting and collage. Student progression is based on their individual interests and experience exploring art. Skill building follows each student's learning style and works to support long term enjoyment of art. Teachers foster independent exploration and work to build knowledge of the many components of creating meaningful artwork.



Qualifications

- Masters or current study in Art Therapy, Psychology or Child Life programs preferred
- Prior experience with adult learners or individuals with autism helpful
- Desire to support individuals at all levels as they explore art and learn new skills
- Professional and patient
- Ability to collaborate with lead faculty as well as coaches and teachers from partner schools
- Love and appreciation of art

Responsibilities

- Assist with curriculum planning and classes
- Assist in establishing individual goals
- Track individual growth, challenges, interests and participation in meetings with lead faculty
- Communicate with parents and partner schools around schedules and specific class plans
- Create binders for individual students with instructions related to specific techniques

Compensation

\$12 per hour

About Brookline Arts Center

We are a visual arts center committed to bringing the community meaningful experiences in the arts through classes, exhibitions, and outreach.

To apply for this position, send a resume and letter of interest to dalton@brooklineartscenter.com. Please use the email subject line “Art and Autism Teaching Assistant” when you’re submitting your application.