



School Studio Lead Artist Position Description

Artists Working in Education, Inc., seeks Lead Artists for its School Studio residency program for the fall and spring semesters. A.W.E. offers Milwaukee children opportunities for creative expression and discovery by sponsoring artists to collaborate with them on art projects of excellence and significance.

School Studio residencies focus primarily on the visual arts, although some residencies may involve both a visual artist and one or two artists from performing or literary arts disciplines. Residencies range from 20 to 40 hours each during the fall or spring semesters in Milwaukee schools with students from kindergarten through twelfth grade. Projects take place during the school day, generally between the hours of 8 a.m. and 3 p.m., on a schedule determined by the school and artists. Artists collaborate with the school staff and A.W.E. staff to plan, prepare, implement, evaluate, and celebrate the project.

Artists receive stipends and are required to attend an orientation session. A.W.E. offers networking and professional development opportunities throughout the year to all School Studio artists.

Qualifications include:

- Demonstrated excellence in his/her art form, including significant exhibit or performance history.
- Degree preferred in fine art, art education or art therapy.
- Significant experience working with school age children in the arts.
- Ability to facilitate the creative and learning process with children in an urban school environment.
- Ability to mentor intern artists new to the teaching artist field.
- Ability to design and implement complex, long term collaborative arts residencies
- Shows mature professional demeanor in interactions with school administrators, staff and students in a formal school environment.
- Flexible and open schedule to accommodate the schedule requested by the school.
- Transportation to project sites throughout the City of Milwaukee.

If interested, please complete the A.W.E. School Studio Artist Information Form which can be accessed on our website or by calling or e-mailing A.W.E. Program Coordinator Mary Osmundsen at 414-933-3877 or mary@awe-inc.org

Artists Working in Education, Inc.

is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to provide youth in the Milwaukee area with arts enrichment programs to enhance human potential, advance learning and cultivate community.