

JOB TITLE: Lead Teaching Artist - Spring Break Camp

**REPORTS TO:** Education Director

PAY: \$22.00-\$25.00/hr for teaching/direct supervision of students; \$14.75/hr for prep and

meetings, part-time, non-exempt

#### Overview

Northwest Children's Theater and School (NWCT) seeks experienced and energetic teaching artists for SPRING BREAK CAMP, MARCH 27-31, 2023. Applicants should have practical experience teaching creative drama, musical theater/choreography, and/or directing youth ages 4–14 in camps, classrooms, theater schools, or after-school settings.

Applicants must be available 8:30am - 4:30pm, March 27-31, 2023.

# **Duties and Responsibilities**

- Inspire youth to create, play, and develop confidence and a sense of community through theater.
- Instill in children a love of theater, an excitement for performance, and a willingness to collaborate.
- Implement classroom management strategies to establish a welcoming learning environment where students feel a sense of agency and belonging.
- Address the learning needs of diverse student populations.
- Lead creative drama (Explore) camps:
  - Develop and implement thoughtful and flexible content based on the theme of camp.
  - Work with a co-teacher to develop creative adventures and imaginative worldbuilding to immerse students in the world of the camp.
- Lead play/musical (Playlab) camps:
  - Direct campers in musical theater performances.
  - Hold informal auditions, conceptualize and block production, teach music and basic choreography, run rehearsals with approximately 12-18 students.

This position requires travel to satellite locations SE Portland, NE Portland, downtown Portland, or Beaverton.

# **Desirable Personal Values**

- Passion for youth arts education and an understanding of the transformative role the performing arts can play in youths' lives.
- Dedication to empowering students to share their voice and perspectives.
- Commitment to diversity, equity, inclusion, and anti-racism.
- Engages in active listening and is sensitive to the needs of others.
- Works with a deep sense of play and celebrates joy within the process and product.



Flexible, fun, responsible, patient, creative, and self-motivated.

### **Required Skills & Qualifications**

- Experience working with young people in camp, classrooms, theater schools, or after-school settings.
- Experience in theater performance (acting, musical theater, choreography, directing, etc) and/or creative drama (devising, creative play, imaginative world-building, theatre games, etc).
- Willingness to adapt to NWCT teaching techniques and approaches.
- Ability to anticipate solutions to problems and exercise good judgment in emergency situations.
- Flexibility to change approach or teaching methods to best fit the situation.
- Understanding of the developmental needs of youth.
- Works well in a team environment with minimal supervision.
- First Aid and CPR certification is a plus.
- English/Spanish bilingual is a plus.
- · Background checks required.

# **Physical Requirements and Expectations**

- Able to lift 30 pounds. (Reasonable accommodations will be made for persons with disabilities.)
- Must be flexible working in a fast-paced, nonprofit environment.
- Willing to use personal equipment such as a cell phone and laptop/tablet when working remotely.
- Reliable transportation or comfort navigating public transit to travel to locations in the Portland Metro Area.

Submit a letter of interest and resume to <a href="mailto:educationhiring@nwcts.org">educationhiring@nwcts.org</a>. **Deadline March 10, 2023**. Submit documents in PDF format only.