

Internship/Job Title: Community Engagement Intern
Paid/Unpaid: Paid
(If applicable) Rate/Stipend: TBD
Credit Available: Y
If yes: HS _x_ College _x_
Duration/Dates/Semester: Rolling
Total Hours per week: 10-20 hours
Company/Organization Name: Community Access to the Arts, Inc
Work Location: 420 Stockbridge Rd, Great Barrington, MA 01230
Remote Work Available: No
Company/Organization Description (and mission):
Nonprofit, Arts

Community Access to the Arts nurtures and celebrates the creativity of people with disabilities through the arts. Through dynamic arts workshops in painting, dance, theater, singing, drumming, juggling, yoga, creative writing, and more, CATA artists tap into their potential, explore new talents, and share their unique points of view. Public events including our annual performance and year-round art exhibits bring our whole community into the act, shining a light on the ability within disability.

CATA uses the exhilarating power of the arts to draw public attention to the contributions and talents of a population that has historically been underserved. We envision a community where: Art changes people's lives and inspires powerful connections, bridging gaps and breaking down boundaries to remind us of all that we have in common AND art promotes inclusion and celebrates diversity, creating a strong community that embraces the value of all its members.

Reports to: Program Directors

Description of Duties:

Help set-up and clean-up arts studios for a series of weekly/daily workshops.
Assist artists with disabilities as needed in hands-on workshops in CATA studios.
Organize inventory in both the Visual Art and Performing Art studios.
Support staff at occasional public events and exhibits, both off-site and at the CATA studio.
Research project ideas, art materials, and adaptive equipment as assigned.
Assist with the documentation and organization of CATA artwork.
Support program staff in preparing art exhibits (e.g. photographing artwork, creating labels, creating price sheets, wrapping artwork for transport, etc.)

Learning Outcomes:

Hands-on experience supporting accessible and inclusive arts experiences for artists with disabilities.
Observe and assist professional visual and/or performing arts faculty as they teach accessible and inclusive arts workshops.
Observe the development and/or implementation of inclusive arts curriculums.

Engage with a wide range of the Berkshire community, including artists with disabilities, programs and agencies serving people with disabilities, and cultural partners in both the visual and performing arts.

Direct experience supporting the day-to-day tasks of a fast-paced, mission-driven nonprofit.

Skills/Competencies Required:

Interest in community engagement through the arts, including visual arts, performing arts, yoga, and collaborative art making.

Knowledge of art supplies and materials a plus.

Working knowledge of Google Suite & Microsoft Office; familiarity with databases a plus.

Ability to successfully engage with people who are diverse by race, class, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, neurodivergence, and ability.

How to apply and available until:

Email info@cataarts.org with a cover letter explaining why you would like to intern with us here at CATA and a resume. Availability is on a rolling basis.