

VANCOUVER ART GALLERY ASSOCIATION

2 CASUAL POSITIONS AVAILABLE

School Educator (Education and Public Programs Department)

DUTIES:

Reporting to the Director of Education and Public Programs, and coordinated by the Public Programs Co-ordinator: School Programs, the Educator will assist in the development, delivery and facilitation of tours and workshops to visitors at the Vancouver Art Gallery. Specifically, they will be responsible for executing programs that foster visual literacy in elementary and secondary school students that will promote critical thinking about the world around us.

Tours and workshops are part of the regular and continual provision of the Gallery's commitment to life-long learning. These activities contribute to understandings of and engagements with historic, modern and contemporary art histories as they relate to the Gallery's exhibitions and collection. The goal is to provide programs that introduce visitors of all ages to the works on display, related philosophical concerns, discussions of process and materials, and myriad forms of cultural production.

The functions of the Educator include the following: researching relevant exhibitions and artworks; working closely with the Education and Public Programs Co-ordinators in preparing workshops, activities and tours; assessing and reporting on the successes and challenges of program delivery; assisting in the department's ongoing commitment to research, knowledge building and accessibility; developing strategies to work within the ever-changing gallery contexts; developing creative solutions for talking and asking questions about art; contributing to the development of workshop-based programs; and at all times ensuring the engagement of visitors. The incumbent will also work participate in broader program delivery when required.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Completion of two years of university or college education in Art History, Studio Art, Art Education, Museum Studies or experience-based equivalent. They will have demonstrated experience working in the arts, specifically in a gallery-based learning environment delivering educational programs such as tours and workshops. In this capacity, they will have demonstrated knowledge of and ability to experiment with a variety of traditional and contemporary making materials. The successful applicant must have a working knowledge of historic, modern and contemporary art and art histories, as well as contemporary critical and pedagogical theory, especially as they relate to gallery education. The successful candidate will have the ability to adapt and perform interpretive talks, workshops and programs to visitors of various ages and knowledge bases. Exceptional communication and public speaking skills are necessary the candidate will be expected to think quickly in public and respond effectively to specific audience needs. Scheduling flexibility is preferred. The successful applicant will be required to provide a Criminal Record Check. The ability to speak a second language fluently is an asset.

SALARY: Pay Grade 15, Step 1 \$20.58 per hour plus a percentage in lieu of benefits.

HOURS: September 2018–May 2019, approximately 4–24 hours per week. Hours may fluctuate depending on schedule changes. Supervisors will give 24-hour notice of cancellation of scheduled hours whenever possible.

Please email your cover letter and CV to the Director of Human Resources by Friday, July 13, 2018. Vancouver Art Gallery hr@vanartgallery.bc.ca

We thank all applicants for their interest; however, only those short-listed will be contacted.