

WHO WE ARE

Welcome to the intersection of art, community, and joy. Equity theatre, world-class concerts, films, education and outreach. The Saugatuck Center for the Arts is a community spark-plug bringing people and learners of all ages together under one roof.

WHAT WE BELIEVE

In the SCA studio we provide a designated time and space for imaginative creativity for all ages! We believe that students benefit from our project-based, hands-on programs. We facilitate experimenting, playing, and working alongside professional artists/creatives. We celebrate process over product so make a mess, try something new, and glean new perspectives.

This summer, the SCA is offering 22 camps, two of which are ongoing series. We offer programs for ages 1.5 to 14. Camps are hosted both on-site at the SCA and off-site (field trips), typically running in the mornings through early afternoons. Offerings include 1-day workshops, 3- 5 day camps, to weeklong camps.

OUR JOY SQUAD

The educational structure of the SCA is twofold: we aim to provide campers with the utmost valuable creative touchpoints by hiring exceptional instructors, while simultaneously giving our instructors life-changing professional experiences as members of the “Joy Squad.”

These developing young edu(creators) come from a variety of backgrounds and levels of experience: some are biology majors, spanish teachers, art students, or year-round art educators. We believe that these varied perspectives enrich the ways we teach students to approach creativity with curiosity and excitement. Members of the joy squad gain life-long professional experience when they teach with the SCA as they grow in their own leadership skills and teaching styles by leading youth through new discoveries, fresh observations, artistic growth, and personal successes.

The SCA Education team is seeking:

- **Mini Maker Summer Camp Studio Instructor**

Education interns, assistants and instructors will work closely with the Education & Exhibition Manager and Education Assistant to promote accessible, creative, healthy learning.

JOB DESCRIPTION

Studio Instructor

Duties and responsibilities, and characteristics of Studio Instructors include (but are not limited to):

- Take direction, work unsupervised, and take initiative
- Work both independently and collaboratively

- Flourish in a team-teaching environment
- Work directly with Visiting Artists to lead camps
- Organize and handle multiple tasks at once
- Show exemplary interpersonal skills
- Have an outgoing, engaging personality
- Feel comfortable conducting kinesthetic activities (yoga)
- Be deadline and detail oriented
- Assist with parent communications
- Think creatively and resourcefully and share ideas
- Assist with the set-up and clean up of camp (arrive 45 minutes early to each camp taught)

What you will gain:

- Valuable classroom teaching experience with a range of ages and skill levels
- Experience researching, developing and implementing thoughtful curriculum
- Experience writing lesson plans
- Connection to local creatives and educators
- Experience working alongside professional artists
- Solid communications and nonprofit administration experience
- The opportunity to interact with other professionals in the business, community, academic and nonprofit sectors
- A great professional recommendation for your valuable work
- Knowledge that you are making a difference in your community and the lives of children!

REQUIREMENTS

- Completed at least 1-2 years at a university or college or has 3-5 years of experience
- Must have early childhood experience (12 months +)
- Preferred majors include: Education, Art Education, Early Childhood, Art History, Fine Art

INSTRUCTOR WILL REPORT TO: Elizabeth Ablan, SCA Education Assistant

INTERNSHIP SUPERVISOR: Whitney Valentine, SCA Education & Exhibition Manager

COMMITMENT: 8 – 26 hours a week (depending on number of camps you're teaching)

COMPENSATION: Project stipends are paid per camp, bi-weekly throughout the summer season

*Education credit from a University or College is also available. It is the student's responsibility to arrange for college credit at his/her school. We are happy to assist by completing requested evaluations, reports, or other documentation.

INTERESTED IN APPLYING?

STUDIO INSTRUCTORS MUST SEND: *Resume, cover letter and (4) examples of your personal artwork or (1) lesson you have written to elizabeth@sc4a.org.*

DEADLINE: Submissions will be accepted until May 14th