

AS220 Media Arts Shop Lead (10 Hours/week)

General Job Description:

Community Studios is an art + design program for adults ages 21 and up looking to learn, practice, and grow their skills as artists. We are committed to providing programming that centers Black and Brown people, those who are formerly incarcerated, parents, and anyone else who has limited access to the arts, for whatever reason. Our offerings include everything from visual arts and music, dance and performance, woodworking and design, media, photography, printmaking, apparel, maker technology, and more.

The Media Arts Shop Lead is responsible for facilitating and overseeing proper use of equipment in the media arts lab during public hours. This includes verifying that members are certified on specific equipment before use, as well as answering general questions and troubleshooting issues. Through their knowledge of media arts equipment, the Shop Lead will diagnose and report on maintenance issues, as well as monitoring parts and consumables levels. All major mechanical concerns will be elevated to the Community Studios Manager, who will schedule repairs. In addition to monitoring studio usage, the Media Arts Shop Lead will build relationships and ensure that the studios are welcoming and accessible to the public. In the future, we hope to expand the role further to include mentoring emerging artists and teaching within our education program.

Specific Responsibilities:

Public Hours Management

- Oversee artists using the Media Arts space during public hours
- Verify that artists are certified on equipment before use
- Assist members with equipment-specific questions and troubleshoot issues during shop time
- Ensure proper equipment usage and cleanup standards are being met
- Ensure that Community Studios is a safe and welcoming environment for all users

Resource Usage

- Ensure that all equipment is in good working order before use by artists
- Diagnose maintenance issues and elevate major mechanical concerns to Community Studios Manager for repair
- Monitor parts and consumables levels and report to Community Studios Manager

The ideal candidate will have:

- Long-term experience as a working artist
- Extensive knowledge of media arts equipment and techniques, including printing, photography, lighting, and darkroom.
- Availability to work evenings and weekends
- A developed understanding of how systems of oppression impact BIPOC / young people with special attention given to race, class, and gender identity.
- Understanding and practice of personal and professional boundaries with other staff and participants

Qualifications:

- At least 1 year of experience working in arts education spaces with a focus on BIPoC communities and youth
- ***BIPOC and/or multilingual applicants are encouraged to apply.

Compensation and Benefits:

This position pays \$21 per hour for an expected 10 hours per week.

Benefits include:

- Online Healthiest You membership (teladoc platform)
- Supportive, racially just workplace culture
- Benefits associated with access to AS220's programs

To Apply: Please send us a resume and a brief cover letter that describes why you feel you are a good fit for this role. Email your resume and cover letter to jobs@as220.org with "Media Arts Shop Lead" as the subject.