

WOLF TRAP INSTITUTE FOR EARLY LEARNING THROUGH THE ARTS

A program of the Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts

is currently accepting applications for

Teaching Artist

Benefits of becoming a Wolf Trap Teaching Artist:

- Become part of a national network of Wolf Trap Teaching Artists working with a nationally respected program which has been a leader in the field of arts-integrated early childhood education and professional development since 1981
- Receive intensive training in the Wolf Trap model to become knowledgeable in the areas of developmentally appropriate practice, emergent literacy, developmental domains, and early childhood curriculum standards
- Create meaningful partnerships with early childhood educators in our community
- Engage children's imagination in the learning process and increase their enthusiasm for learning and the arts
- Receive continuing professional development as a member of a select group of Teaching Artists

Teaching Artist FAQ:

- Teaching Artists are independent contractors; annual amount of work is not guaranteed.
- Teaching Artists are placed in 16-Session Classroom Residencies partnering with preschool and Kindergarten teachers. Classroom sessions are held twice a week, usually in the morning, during the school year.
- Teaching Artists are required to write and submit paperwork associated with each residency including lesson plans and evaluations.
- Number of residencies assigned in the metro Washington DC area varies.
- New Teaching Artists are paid \$1,000 for each 16-Session Classroom Residency.

Criteria for becoming a Wolf Trap Teaching Artist:

- A minimum of three years experience as a professional performing or teaching artist in the disciplines of music, dance, or drama including puppetry and storytelling
- Possess a thorough knowledge of the elements, forms, processes, and skills for their art form
- Able to articulate the creative process in or through their art discipline
- Practice reflection and self-assessment in the processes of art form
- Classroom experience working with young children
- Respect and appreciation for children of all cultures and from all backgrounds
- Possess excellent communication and interpersonal skills
- Demonstrate a professional manner with teacher collaborator: be respectful of and inspire trust with partner, which includes but is not limited to being organized, well-prepared, punctual, reliable, and professionally dressed
- Be adaptable, flexible, and a good problem solver in variety of situations and spaces
- Must have reliable transportation and be willing to travel within DC/MD/VA metro area
- Complete successful personal interview, classroom audition, and background check
- Must attend full week of training, **February 1—February 5, 2016**, and complete **one Classroom Residency, one classroom observation and mid-year meeting within the first year**

APPLICATION DEADLINE – October 23, 2015

For complete application information, call or email Nicole Escudero at nicolee@wolftrap.org or 703.937.6306
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