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POSITION: MUSEUM EDUCATOR (Part-Time)

ORGANIZATION: The Children's Museum of Manhattan **LOCATION:** 212 West 83rd Street, New York, NY 10024

WEBSITE: www.CMOM.org
START DATE: June 2024

ABOUT THE CHILDREN'S MUSEUM:

The Children's Museum of Manhattan is a steward of early childhood, helping all children grow and develop into their best selves.

Through our programs on-site, online, and around the five boroughs, CMOM nurtures the next generation of creative global citizens as they learn through exploration and play. CMOM encourages empathy across differences by elevating and providing insight into diverse perspectives and inviting visitors of all backgrounds to join our intentionally welcoming community and create and learn alongside each other. The museum's program reflects the rich cultural diversity, energy, and resilience of New York City itself and has a special focus on ensuring that its program is available to those families who might not otherwise have access.

Founded in 1973 as a neighborhood organization, CMOM has grown over the years into a beloved destination and resource for children, families, and educators from across the five boroughs and from around the world. The museum welcomes 350,000 visitors each year to its Upper West Side location and engages hundreds of thousands more through its outreach programs in partnership with schools, libraries, shelters, and Head Start centers throughout New York City; its touring exhibitions; and its online tools and curricula.

ABOUT THE POSITION

As a Museum Educator you will facilitate a variety of programs at the Museum and in community settings. At the Museum, you will implement multi-session classes featuring exhibit exploration and interdisciplinary art experiences. With your young learners, you will explore artmaking, storytelling, science, sensory play, and more. You will develop a trusting relationship with the families of your students and will collaborate closely with the School Programs & Community Outreach department.

You will facilitate engaging, culturally sensitive programs for students, teachers, and parents/caregivers. You will collaborate with libraries, schools, family shelters, and other community partners to ensure that your program meets the specific needs of your participants. You will write curriculum for and implement compelling arts, science, and storytelling experiences which empower your students to take charge of their own learning

PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITIES

As a Museum Educator, you may work in one or more of the programs or capacities below.

- <u>Early Childhood Enrollment (classes for children ages 2-5):</u> Facilitate age-appropriate, dynamic semesterlong curricula; promote students' social-emotional and academic development; integrate arts, movement, and storytelling activities; and establish trusting relationships with parents and caregivers.
- Community-Based Programs & Family Engagement: Support and/or facilitate arts-integrated workshops
 for students between ages 2-12, as well as parents/teachers/caregivers through library programming,
 school outreach, family shelter programs, etc. Model best teaching practices; co-plan and liaise with
 partner site contact as needed.
- <u>Guided Group Visits (GGVs):</u> Facilitate school and summer camp guided group programs in CMOM exhibits.
- Collaborate and co-teach with fellow educators and departmental leadership.
- Maintain program spaces, manage supply orders and organization, and prepare materials for program implementation.
- · Other duties as needed.

QUALIFICATIONS

- 1-2 years' experience, including:
 - o Program facilitation for children ages birth-12, teachers, and families in diverse settings
 - o Lesson planning experience
 - o Understanding of inquiry and art-integrated teaching and learning
- Undergraduate degree in Arts Education, Early Childhood Education, Museum Learning, Special Education, Child Development, OR equivalent relevant experience
- Experience integrating age-appropriate visual art, STEAM, music, dance, theater, and/or social studies into teaching practice
- Proficiency with inquiry, object observation, and dynamic storytelling
- Ability to engage children, families, and caregivers in a welcoming, energetic, friendly, and professional manner
- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills
- Ability to be flexible and assimilate feedback from colleagues and participants
- Comfort working independently as well as collaborating closely with others

Additional preferred experience:

- Fluency in Spanish or language in addition to English a plus
- Experience writing curriculum
- Experience collaborating with libraries, schools, family shelters, and other community partners
- Visual or performing arts discipline
- Background work or studies related to early childhood development, psychology, or social work
- Experience working with a diverse group of learners, including children who have special needs

Availability:

- > Must be available to work at least 2 days per week (Monday Friday) for in-person programming
- > Museum Educators will be scheduled for specific programs and according to the Museum's needs. A specific set of hours are not guaranteed.
- > Seasonal/contract-based position (with an option to renew)
- > Must be willing to attend orientation and professional development as scheduled.

COMPENSATION

\$27 – \$37/hour, varies by program

TO APPLY

Please submit a **cover letter** and **resume** to schoolprograms@cmom.org with "**Museum Educator**" in the subject line.

Only applications with cover letters included will be considered. Due to the high volume of applicants and limited hiring capacity, we will only contact and interview those candidates whose availability, skills and background best fit the needs of the position, however, please check your inbox and junk mail for any correspondence.

The Children's Museum of Manhattan is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Background checks will be completed on all employees. *No phone inquiries, please*