

VISUAL ARTS INSTRUCTOR

Cuyahoga Valley Art Center (CVAC) – Cuyahoga Falls, OH

Cuyahoga Valley Art Center (CVAC) is dedicated to fostering a thriving community of artists by offering diverse educational programs designed to support students at all skill levels.

JOB DESCRIPTION: Visual Arts Instructor

CVAC seeks passionate Visual Art Instructors who are subject matter experts in their respective fields and are committed to providing high-quality instruction. Our instructors play a vital role in guiding students through a well-rounded arts education that explores various media while integrating color theory, design principles, art history, and diverse artistic techniques.

Instructors will teach one or more of the following disciplines: **drawing, watercolor, acrylic painting, oil painting, mixed media, ceramics, and bird carving** (etc.) while fostering an engaging and supportive learning environment.

Key Responsibilities:

- **Teach artistic techniques and concepts** in one or more of the following disciplines: drawing, painting (watercolor, acrylic, oil), mixed media, ceramics, and bird carving.
- **Incorporate fundamental art principles** such as color theory, composition, and design while integrating historical and contemporary artistic practices.
- **Adapt instruction** to accommodate students of varying ages, abilities, and learning styles, providing both individual and small-group guidance.
- **Demonstrate proper use and care of materials, tools, and equipment**, ensuring a safe and well-maintained classroom environment.
- **Plan and prepare lesson materials**, including class supply lists, and communicate needs with CVAC staff as required.
- **Maintain a clean and organized studio space** by setting up before class and restoring the area to its original condition afterward.
- **Encourage artistic growth and creativity**, fostering a positive, inclusive, and inspiring learning experience.
- **Collaborate with CVAC leadership** to align class content with the center’s mission and educational objectives.
- **Support CVAC’s programs and initiatives** by performing additional duties as needed.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS & SKILLS FOR VISUAL ARTS INSTRUCTOR POSITION:

- **Teaching Experience:** Minimum of two years of teaching experience in fine arts, preferably in an educational or community-based setting.
- **Artistic Expertise:** Proven proficiency in one or more artistic disciplines.
- **Effective Communication:** Strong ability to convey artistic concepts and adapt teaching methods to accommodate diverse learning styles.
- **Student Engagement:** Commitment to creating a positive, inclusive, and inspiring learning environment.

MINIMUM EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS / CERTIFICATION:

- High School Diploma
- Bachelor’s or Master’s degree in Fine Arts (preferred but not required)
- Bachelor’s or Master’s degree in Art Education (preferred but not required)

HOW TO APPLY:

Interested applicants should submit a **CV/resume**, a **cover letter detailing teaching philosophy**, and a **portfolio or examples of work** to director@cvaltcenter.org. The subject line should read “Visual Art Instructor”. Please include preferred class subjects and availability.

