

Creativity Guide (Part Time)

Wondery Art + Adventure School is a community art school located in Southwest Bend serving ages two through adult. Our beautiful space features a main visual arts studio for kids and adult classes, a ceramics studio, a classroom for our Reggio-inspired Wondery Kinder Studio (ages 3-5) and a mini studio for our Little Artists Program (ages 2-5). We are a small and growing team with a passion to nurture the creative spirits of all ages!

Our Mission

Creativity is a superpower. At Wondery we connect children and adults with their creative powers by providing experiences that focus on the journey of creating rather than the destination.

Overview

Our Creativity Guides have a deep passion for the creative process and desire to support others in navigating their creative journey. Currently we are hiring two Creativity Guides to lead our Wild Art Club program, with opportunities to guide other programming at Wondery as well. This is a part time position (about 22 hours per week) in the afternoons 1:30-6:30 Monday through Thursday (12-6:30 on Wednesdays). Additional hours are available in the evenings and weekends (as well as subbing for classes during the daytime).

In addition to providing creative experiences in our studio, we believe creating in the wild facilitates a deep relationship with and care for the natural world. Our Wild Art Club program is the best of both worlds - an after school program featuring creative exploration in the studio and outdoor exploration at state parks for ages 5-11. As a Creativity Guide your role is to guide children in navigating the creative process using all different media in our studio, as well as guide enriching outdoor experiences. While this position takes place during the school year we anticipate having opportunities to continue employment with Wondery during the summer.

Responsibilities

- Collaboratively plan weekly class themes for children to explore through art in the studio and outdoor adventures
- Prep themed provocation materials for children to explore through open-ended/ process-based art for studio days
- Guide children through the creative process by inviting them to create through setting up thoughtfully curated and displayed provocations, asking process-focused questions, inspiring their imaginations and empowering them with instruction to develop new skills
- Nurture children's connection with nature through planning and implementing engaging nature journaling prompts

- Drive a van to transport children from nearby elementary schools to Wondery and to state parks for outdoor adventures
- Develop and maintain a program culture of joy, willingness to take creative risks and celebration of the creative processes of each artist
- Develop positive relationships with children and families
- Respond to communication from families promptly and professionally
- Organize and clean the studio after classes to ensure the space is ready for other groups and build a culture of caring for the studio with children
- Capture photos of classes for our social media/website and upload them to a shared album after class
- Support other Wondery programming as needed including teaching private art classes at the studio and offsite locations, assisting with/subbing for Wondery Kinder Studio and facilitating birthday parties
- Monitor supply inventory and make supply requests in a timely manner to keep the program stocked with general art supplies and specific project-based supplies
- Attend staff meetings

Qualifications

- Prior experience working with school-age children in a creative capacity is required
- Experience with a range of media and a love for creative play
- A love for exploring nature and comfort with being outdoors in all weather conditions
- Available for full program hours in the late afternoon/early evening Monday through Thursday and some weekends dependent on studio need and seasonal classes
- Background check
- Clean driving record

Benefits

- \$20+/hr DOE
- Open access to participate in all other Wondery programming for adults
- 25% off Wondery programming for children

Apply

Please send an email to sarah@wonderyschool.com:

- Introduce yourself
- Tell us why you'd be a good fit for this position at Wondery
- Your work availability
- Attach your resume