

## Little Artists Assistant (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, and our Studio Classroom for our magical Reggio-inspired Little Artists Program (ages 2-6). 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 natural creative powers by providing experiences that focus on the journey of creating rather than the destination.

### Overview

This position requires you to have a deep passion for working with young children and supporting littles in navigating their creative journey. This is a part time position (currently about 18-20 hours per week) Tuesday through Friday from 8:15am-12:45pm. There will also be a weekly meeting with the LA Lead Teacher. Additional hours may be available in the evenings and weekends depending on interests and experience. Though this position is for the school year, there may be an opportunity to continue with our summer camp programming.

#### Responsibilities

- Morning check-in with the Lead Little Artists Teacher to review daily lessons and prepare for the day
- Assist lead teacher in prep for themed provocation materials for children to explore through open-ended/process-based art, as well as other daily activities including tea & nibbles
- Assist lead teacher in inspiring children's 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
- Assist daily gatherings and happenings including calendar, weather, daily jobs, songs, etc.
- Nurture children's connection with nature during daily outdoor explorations (up to an hour each day)
- Participation in imaginative play and storytelling with children
- Lead bathroom breaks and changes during daily transitions
- Organize and clean the classroom after school to ensure the space is ready for the following day, while building a culture of caring for the classroom with children throughout the day
- Capture special photos/moments for our social media/website and uploading them to a shared album after class
- Maintain a program culture of joy, willingness to take creative risks and celebration of the creative processes of each artist

- Promote/model a culture of social emotional and physical wellness
- Develop positive relationships with children and families
- Drive or assist van to transport children from Wondery to field trips/parks for special outdoor adventures
- Step in as lead teacher if coverage is needed
- Assist with monitoring 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 2-6 year old children in a school setting
- Must have experience with children that are potty training, and wearing diapers/pull-ups
- A patient, consistent and gentle disposition with children
- 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
- Has taken a child care basics course, or is willing to take one upon hiring
- A general understanding of child safety and development
- Completion of a Background Check upon hire (or documentation of existing)
- 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 grace@wonderyschool.com

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