



About Blackbird Studio

Based out of Charlotte, NC, Blackbird Studio offers unique art education experiences for students of all ages. Our teaching artists are professional creatives who are passionate about making an impact while sharing what they do best. We offer one-day workshops and multi-day residencies in a variety of mediums that connect to the K-12 core curriculum. We value high quality final products and we have that vibe that the students just love! We are a multifaceted mobile art studio.

Grant funding from the Arts and Science Council enables us to offer free programs to students across Charlotte Mecklenburg Schools who would not otherwise have access. Our partnerships with private schools, libraries, cultural centers and community events allow us to reach thousands of students annually. Visit our website [here](#) to learn more about our programs.

PUBLIC ART INSTALLER & MURAL ASSISTANT

(part-time, contracted, \$18-\$25 per hour, based on experience)

Job Description:

Blackbird Studio is committed to enhancing areas of local schools through the development of programming that results in public art displays and collaborative murals. We are seeking an experienced public art installer to assist with the installation of student displays and the development of murals for specific programs. Candidates will be part-time and must be available to work during scheduled installation days which usually take place M-F between 7am-4:30pm.

Applicants will not be required to conduct art education programs and will focus solely on the installation of student work and/or mural prep/enhancements. A strong candidate would have experience working in a museum, gallery, hanging artwork, painting murals, installation art and/or painting both interior and exterior walls. Ideally, the candidate would be extremely handy and act as a great resource to assist with resolving issues that may occur with building/fire code, finding compatible building materials and installing work on a variety of wall types.

Applicants must be committed to working within educational settings and able to collaborate with each school's educators, administrators and janitorial staff as needed. Eligible candidates will be required to visit schools independently to prepare walls for programs, paint and/or hang artwork in collaboration with Blackbird's Creative Director, the CMS partner teacher, the school's administration and the Blackbird Teaching Artist conducting the project. Installers will use their knowledge of installing art and their creative skills to provide professional, long-lasting displays of student artwork at each location.

Required Qualifications

- 3+ years experience in installing art, construction, painting walls in a professional settings or equivalent experience.
- Comfortable working within a variety of CMS schools among students of all ages.
- Experience and/or knowledge of adhering a variety of materials to cinderblock walls.
- Experience painting walls neatly to avoid damage to floors, molding, etc. and at elevated heights.
- Ability to collaborate and work professionally with partner teachers and staff.
- Highly flexible and adaptable to a range of educational situations.
- Strong design skills.
- Strong interpersonal skills.
- Must be able to travel independently to schools in Charlotte, NC and surrounding towns.

Submission Procedure:

Interested applicants should submit the following, to Jen Crickenberger, Creative Director, at Jen@blackbirdstudioclt.com.

1. A resume and brief cover letter detailing your experience and outlining the value you can add to our programs as the Public Art Installer & Mural Assistant.
2. A PDF or link to your current portfolio (if applicable)

Candidates will be subject to a criminal background check and must obtain a cleared volunteer application status to work within Charlotte Mecklenburg Schools.

All contract employees will be responsible for submitting taxes as 1099 employees.

Please submit all materials to jen@blackbirdstudioclt.com by August 8, 2022.