



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.

TEACHING ARTIST

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

Job Description

Blackbird Studio is seeking enthusiastic, highly skilled teaching artists for part-time, independent contract employment for our 2022/2023 programs in schools. Applicants must demonstrate experience and expertise in one or more of the following disciplines: photography (digital or alternative process), digital art, videography, animation, painting, drawing, printmaking, visual literacy, fiber art, ceramics, installation art and/or public art/murals.

Applicants must be committed to working with students in grades k-12 and able to collaborate with other educators. Eligible candidates will be required to develop and implement arts-integrated workshops and residencies in connection with our ASC Education Program Provider Directory Programming. Teaching Artists will use their art knowledge, creative skills and teaching experience to provide professional art education programs that connect to core content and achieve the academic standards for each program.

Multiple Teaching Artist positions are currently open to serve our programs throughout the year including: workshops & residencies (7am-4pm), after school programming (3-6pm) and summer camps 2023 (8am-5pm). All new Teaching Artists will receive paid training and Blackbird curriculum guides to use in their initial programs.

Required Qualifications

- Experience in your artistic discipline (professional or university).
- 2+ years experience in a classroom setting as a teaching artist, lead teacher or equivalent experience.
- Experience engaging students of all backgrounds and ages, especially elementary.
- Experience in developing arts-integrated curriculums and lesson planning.

- Ability to collaborate and work with partner teachers.
- Highly flexible and adaptable to a range of educational situations.
- Ability to thoughtfully engage students and independently manage a classroom of up to 35 students, grades k-12.
- 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 cover letter detailing experience as both an artist and a teacher outlining the value you can add to our programs as a Teaching Artist.
2. A PDF or link to your current portfolio

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.