



Position Title: Arts Program Workshop Leader

Reports to: Housing Services

POSITION SUMMARY: Dixon Hall is looking for an experienced arts program instructor with interests and skills in creative arts expression to lead our clients in a group where they will be encouraged to draw, paint and participate in various methods of artistic expression.

COMMITMENT: Weekly for three hours; minimum of 3-month commitment.

MAJOR RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. Prepare weekly creative expression group activities for participants;
2. Maintain inventory and advise site staff when new art supply items are required;
3. Keep up-to-date records of clients attending the program and submit them to the site staff weekly;
4. Ensure work space is neat and clean; set up program room and tidy up same at the end of the session;
5. Attend Dixon Hall Volunteer Orientation and Safety Training session;
6. Model professional behaviour and report any issues with clients to staff;
7. Provide encouragement and support to clients who are facing issues of poverty, mental health, addictions, abuse, social isolation, and more.

ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS:

- Working indoors; carrying and lifting; walking and standing; good listening and verbal communication skills
- Interacting with a diverse clientele base

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Must be a minimum of 18 years of age;
- Demonstrated experience in art instruction;
- Sensitive to those dealing with mental or physical health issues and their related issues and potential limitations; ability to adjust planned activities accordingly;
- Good verbal English skills; other languages are an asset; and
- A friendly, warm, welcoming and tolerant attitude.

DRESS CODE:

- Comfortable, casual clothing; and close-toed shoes
 - Clothing does not include words, pictures or slogans that may be considered offensive

BENEFITS

- Opportunity to meet new people and promote the creative talents of clients;
- Participate in a social arts activity for members of the community;
- Gain a better understanding of the issues around food security and precarious housing in Toronto;
- Make an impact in the social services field and support community development initiatives.

For more information and to apply, please contact:

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To apply, go to www.dixonhall.org/volunteer to complete an on-line application and to up-load your resume.

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