Position: Teaching Artist (Theatre, Vocal Music, Playwriting, Contemporary Choral Composition/Songwriting)

Hours: Part-time, 15-20 hours/week

Status & Location: Non-exempt; Detroit, and travel within a 40 mile radius

Reporting Relationships: Reports to the Program Manager, and works with various stakeholders to assure attainment of organizational and individual goals.

Compensation: $25/hr (instruction & prep), Access to professional development opportunities,

Why We Need You:
Mosaic Youth Theatre of Detroit empowers young people to maximize their potential through professional performing arts training and the creation of theatrical and musical art that engages, transforms and inspires. As a Teaching Artist, you will inspire and mentor young artists to be confident, creative thinkers. Teaching artists conduct weekly sessions that help young artists build skills and support youth to create new works in theater and music to share with their community.

Key Responsibilities

● Deliver engaging and relevant arts instruction that meet young artist's needs and abilities; maintain expectations established by Mosaic's leadership and curriculum team and stay on theme.

● Lead or co-lead 3-4 school residencies October-May; collaborating with youth to create/devise a culminating performance.

● Lead pre-recorded and livestream virtual sessions October – May for elementary and middle school aged youth.

● Lead Mosaic Mobile sessions and workshops with the teen ensemble as assigned.

● Communicates regularly with parents and staff, striving to maintain program quality.

● Collaborates with leadership and site partners regarding the evaluation and implementation of curriculum, and success of the partnership.

● Participate in ongoing teaching artist training and professional development.

● Participate in marketing efforts and represent Mosaic at events.

● Lead by practicing good pedagogy and model the expectations set forth for all teaching artists.

● Other duties as assigned.

Successful candidates

● Have a minimum of 2 yrs. experience developing and teaching curricula in performing arts, playwriting, or music composition to youth in grades 3 – 8 in school or community-based settings;

● Have a minimum 3 years engaging in an active, professional practice within your art form;

● Have a deep knowledge of fundamental elements of your art form and ability to teach them effectively to youth;

● Have the ability to provide their own means of transportation to and from all work assignments.

And embody the following qualities

● Passion for Mosaic's mission and vision to increase equitable access to transformative arts experience for Detroit-area youth; and reflect Mosaic’s values to 1) Strive for Excellence  2) Build Community  3) Dream Boldly, and 4) Embrace Joy.

● Artistic Excellence, including quality and scope of professional artistic work, and depth of knowledge within an artistic discipline.

● Engaging Teaching, especially incorporating the creative process, reaching youth across diverse developmental levels, yielding quality student work, substantial experience in teaching youth in grades 3-12, including strong classroom management skills.

● Professionalism, including abilities to plan with others, to articulate goals and objectives, adapt to varying student populations and school environments; and a high degree of empathy, emotional intelligence, and self-awareness.
Physical demands/ Work Environment:

- Regularly required to use hands to handle or feel, and talk and hear.
- Frequently required to sit, stand, walk, reach with hands, turn, sit, bend, go up and down stairs.
- Work in areas that may use bright or strobe lights and in dark spaces.
- Some sitting and working at a computer.
- Some travel required as a part of program delivery, oversight and evaluation, training and meeting participation.
- Some evening and weekend hours are required.
- Some heavy lifting and moving of supplies.
- While performing the duties of this job, team members may occasionally be exposed to outside weather conditions.
- The noise level in the work environment varies.

To apply: Take some time to familiarize yourself with our organization, what we do, and what we believe in. Then, if this seems like a community you’d like to be a part of, submit your resume and responses to the questions below: [250 word max/response] to hr@mosaicedetroit.org with the subject line “Teaching Artist” by September 10, 2021.

- Why are you interested in joining the Mosaic team?
- What do you most enjoy about working with elementary & middle school age young artists?
- Tell us about a teacher or role model who really influenced you.

Mosaic Youth Theatre of Detroit is an equal opportunity employer. We are committed to upholding safe spaces that honors diverse perspectives, lived experience and expertise to enhance the communities we serve and those we are a part of creating. We do not discriminate based upon race, religion, color, national origin, gender (including pregnancy, childbirth, or related medical conditions), sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, age, status as a protected veteran, status as an individual with a disability, or other applicable legally protected characteristics.