

ART IN THE GARDEN INTERNSHIP

OMA Center for Mind, Body, and Spirit is a non-profit organization devoted to holistic wellness for all people. Art in the Garden, an educational program of OMA, is a free summer program held in Borland Garden in East Liberty. Art in the Garden seeks to enable youth to grow in their understanding of connectedness to themselves, each other, and our earth.

Responsibilities

- Support the teachers in engaging youth ages 4+ in experiential and project-based learning activities centered around art and gardening, which support social and emotional development and resiliency.
- Teach small groups, and under the direction of the teachers, manage portions of the curriculum, discipline, and outdoor community and environment.
- Work as a team member with teaching colleagues, administrators, and youth family members by attending meetings and building community.
- Create and maintain an appropriate and organized classroom environment with an emphasis on child safety and well-being.
- Communicate with parents in a positive, clear, and timely manner in conversations in the garden and during pick-up and drop-off at student's homes, as directed by the teachers.

Applicants for this position must have the following:

- Experience working with youth
- Strong communication skills for working effectively with youth, their family members, and colleagues
- Capable of creating an stimulating and supportive learning environment for youth
- Educational philosophy that is consistent with that of OMA's vision and mission
- Pennsylvania Child Abuse History Clearance (Act 33), Pennsylvania State Police Criminal Record Clearance (Act 34), and FBI Criminal Background Check (or ability to obtain before June 19th)

Preferred Experience

- Working with youth
- Interest in Social and Emotional Development and Trauma-informed care
- Passion for arts and outdoor education

This internship is unpaid. Program hours are from 9-1 Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from June 19-August 23. If your schedule doesn't allow for consistency around these dates/times we are happy to discuss alternate possibilities but this must be communicated during interview process. All interns are **required** to attend two full-day training sessions around social and emotional development and resilience/trauma informed care. In-depth program description at: www.ioby.org/project/art-garden-0. For more information about OMA visit: www.omapittsburgh.org.

To apply, please send cover letter and resume to artinthegardenpgh@gmail.com with the subject line "Art in the Garden Youth Intern Application."

Deadline to apply: April 13th, 2018

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