

ART IN THE GARDEN LEAD TEACHER

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

- Engage youth ages 4+ in experiential and project-based learning activities centered around art and gardening, which support social and emotional development and resiliency.
- Manage the curriculum, discipline, and outdoor community and environment.
- Work together with teaching colleagues to plan and execute lessons, using varied methods of instruction.
- Participate as an active 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 regularly with parents in a positive, clear and timely manner through a variety of means, including email, telephone, and conversations in the garden and during pick-up and drop-off at student's homes.

Applicants for this position must have the following:

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

Preferred Experience In

- Teaching K-8 students
- Responsive Classroom
- Social and Emotional Development
- Trauma-informed care
- Arts and outdoor education

Program hours are from 9-1 Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from June 19-August 23. The summer salary of \$3,750 includes teaching, prep time, occasional meetings, and two **required** 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, resume and references to artinthegardenpgh@gmail.com with the subject line "Art in the Garden Lead Teacher Application".

Deadline to apply: April 13th, 2018

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