



Summer Teaching Associate

About Childsplay:

Founded in 1977, Childsplay is a nationally and internationally respected professional theatre company whose chosen audience is children. Childsplay's mission is to create theatre so strikingly original in form, content, or both that it instills in young people an enduring awe, love, and respect for the medium, thus preserving imagination and wonder, those hallmarks of childhood that are the keys to the future.

About Childsplay Academy:

Harnessing the transformative power of theatre, Childsplay Academy creates education programs that center young people in the process of artistic discovery and courageous empathy. With classes for ages 4-18, programs focus on cultivating student's love for the performing arts, igniting their collaborative creativity, and developing life skills to improve our world.

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Duration:

This position will be active for all eight weeks of our summer programming **May 30th - July 28th**, plus 1 additional week leading up to the start of summer classes, **May 22nd - 26th**. The summer associate will work 35 hours a week: 8 hour days with a 1 hour, unpaid, lunch. Times: 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM.

Job Summary:

The Summer Teaching Associate will assist teaching artists and assistant teachers with classroom planning and teaching. They will also be in charge of scheduling, training, and mentoring our volunteer teen interns. They will assist our Admin team with answering parent questions, help registering and marketing our Summer classes.

The Summer Teaching Associate is Responsible For:

1. Stepping in as a Teaching Artist or Assistant Teacher to cover late or absent teaching staff.
2. Assisting in classrooms that need a little extra help
3. Assisting Teaching Artists or Assistant teachers in planning and giving advice
4. Leading group planning for classes with multiple sections
5. Scheduling, training, mentoring, and communicating with volunteer teen interns and staff on occasion

Required Skills and Qualifications:

- Leadership skills; the ability to organize humans, create schedules, and communicate effectively
- Passion for working with young people and fostering a life-long love for performing arts.
- Experience in the performing arts (professional, education, or avocationally)
- Current Arizona Fingerprint Clearance Card (or ability to obtain credential before beginning work)
- Commitment to establishing learning spaces that center equity and inclusion.

The logo for Childsplay Theatre Academy features the word "CHILDSPLAY" in large, colorful, stylized letters. Each letter is a different color: C (red), H (yellow), I (green), L (blue), D (purple), S (red), P (yellow), L (green), A (blue), Y (purple). Below this, the words "THEATRE ACADEMY" are written in a smaller, red, sans-serif font.

CHILDSPLAY THEATRE ACADEMY

- Ability to work independently or collaboratively depending on the project.
- Being self motivated; the the ability to anticipate needs; to be able to see a hole and fill it
- Willingness to learn and implement different forms of drama facilitation and arts integration into classes
- Good communication for different groups including with students, caregivers, teachers, or admin
- Flexibility and a positive attitude essential

Additional Valued Skills and Qualifications:

- Experience working with specific student populations such as ELL, special needs, individuals with autism, etc.
- Professional theatre experience and/or advanced training in theatre or education
- Training or experience in different education modalities or methods
- Experience with content creation or curriculum development

Salary

- \$16 an hour for 35 hours a week

How to Apply:

Candidates submit via email:

1. Subject Line: Summer Teaching Associate
2. A short statement telling us why you enjoy working with young people. Submissions may include a written statement, voice memo, video, or another format to communicate your interest in teaching.
3. A resume highlighting any relevant teaching, artistic, or work experience

Please e-mail: Academy Manager, Brianna Fallon bfallon@childsplayaz.org

Note: This position will remain open for applicants until March 1st.

Childsplay values equity, diversity, and inclusion (EDI) throughout our organization, programs, and audience. We are committed to giving underrepresented artists a safe space to create art and community.

By welcoming people with differences in religion, ethnicity, sexual orientation, class, gender identity, ability, and age we are better able to celebrate that which brings humankind together: Imagination and Wonder