

Childsplay, Arizona's professional theatre for young audiences, seeks creative and enthusiastic **Assistant Teachers** for 2021 Summer Academy education Programs.

### About Childsplay:

Founded in 1977, Childsplay is a nationally and internationally respected professional theatre company whose chosen audience is children. Childplay'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.

As part of our commitment to access and inclusion, Childsplay Theatre Academy makes intentional choices in classroom practices to welcome young people of all abilities, ethnicities, sexual orientations, and gender identities. And we're committed to addressing the individual physical, learning, and social needs of our students.

Please visit our website at <u>www.childsplayaz.org</u> for additional information about the company, our programs, and work in the community.

### **Duration:**

Summer Academy Assistant Teacher is a seasonal, hourly position, Monday- Friday during the camp dates. The 2021 Summer Academy mandatory training is Saturday, May 22nd, and the camp operates from June 1st- July 30th (no classes week of July 5th- 9th). Ideal candidates have limited conflicts during this period. Opportunities are available to assist with in-person programs at Childsplay's Campus in Tempe.

### Job Summary:

Under the supervision of the Academy Director, Assistant teachers work alongside Childsplay Teaching artists to supervise, support and facilitate drama-based classes for students ages 4-15. Key responsibilities include (but are not limited to): supervising students, preparing materials needed for classes, participating in planning for lessons, facilitating theatre activities, and supporting courageous and inclusive classrooms.

## An Academy Assistant Teacher is Responsible For:

- 1. Collaborating with teaching artists and student interns to plan daily activities.
- 2. Supporting the development of inclusive learning environments which protect physical and emotional safety for participants
- 3. Assisting teaching artists with facilitation of activities
- 4. Supervising students during lunch, bathroom breaks, and extended care
- 5. Preparing materials for classes, including art supplies, worksheets, and photocopies.

## **Required Skills and Qualifications:**

- Desire to work with young people and foster a life-long love for performing arts.
- Current Arizona Fingerprint Clearance Card (or ability to obtain credential before beginning work)
- Interest in the performing arts
- Commitment to establishing learning spaces that center equity and inclusion.
- Minimum of 18 years of age
- Flexibility and a positive attitude essential

# Additional Valued Skills and Qualifications:

- First Aid/CPR certification
- Administrative and/or customer service experience
- Theatre Training or Experience
- Experience working with young people
- Experience working with specific student populations such as ELL, special needs, individuals with autism, etc.

Salary: \$12.50- \$14 an hour depending on the program

### How to Apply:

Candidates submit via e-mail:

- 1. A short statement telling us why you want to work with young people. Submissions may include a written statement, voice memo, video, or another format to communicate why are interested in assistant teaching.
- 2. A resume highlighting any relevant childcare, teaching, artistic, or work experience

Please e-mail: Academy Director, Katie Brantley at <u>kbrantley@childsplayaz.org</u>.

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.