



## TEACHING ARTISTS

Childsplay seeks creative, innovative and qualified theater teaching artists for part-time employment in a variety of educational programs.

Childsplay Teaching Artists work in one or more areas:

**In-School Residencies and Afterschool Programs** bring opportunities for drama experience to K-8 students in schools throughout the Greater Phoenix Area. Multi-week programs center around arts integration, creative drama, and social emotional development.

**Professional Development** programs work with preK-8 teachers to integrate drama into their teaching practice. Primarily focused on literacy and language development, these programs work one-on-one with classroom teachers in a job-embedded setting.

**Childsplay Academy** offers quality theatre classes for students ages 3-18 at Childsplay's campus in Tempe. Academy classes focus on cultivating performing arts abilities and life skills. The Conservatory program (a subset of Academy) provides pre-professional training for young people interested in pursuing a career in the performing arts.

**Post-Performance and Special Events Workshops** are short (30-60 minute) one-time drama classes, usually at the theatre. The workshops connect to themes from the performance enriching the patrons' theatre experience.

### TEACHING ARTIST REQUIREMENTS:

- Skills/training and experience in the performing arts
- A Bachelor's degree or equivalent work experience
- Arizona Fingerprint Clearance Card (If you don't have one, you must be willing to get one before starting a project with Childsplay)
- Experience with arts integration preferred
- Strong communication skills to effectively interact with students, parents, teachers, and administrators
- Able to work independently as well as collaboratively on projects with staff and students
- Must have reliable transportation
- Must be willing to attend meetings and complete paperwork in addition to teaching classes
- Experience with ELL or special needs populations a plus
- Sense of humor, flexibility, and a positive attitude essential

## **HOW TO BECOME A CHILDSPLAY TEACHING ARTIST:**

Applications are accepted on an ongoing basis. Prospective teaching artists should note that the scheduling of work is flexible and based on departmental need. We hire on a project basis and pay hourly. Childsplay is an EOE.

Qualified Applicants should send:

- A cover letter that includes what you enjoy most about being a teaching artist and why you want to join the Childsplay Ensemble
- A resume or curriculum vitae outlining any relevant professional, artistic, and teaching experience
- Two sample lesson plans

Please email these materials to [info@childsplayaz.org](mailto:info@childsplayaz.org) and mention teaching artist in the subject line.