



## **Amador County Arts Council Job Description**

**Position Title:** Teaching Artist

**Status:** non-exempt / part-time

**Temporary position**

**Pay Rate:** \$65 to \$75 depending

**Reports to:** Executive Director

### ***About Amador County Arts Council***

*The purpose of Amador County Arts Council is to: encourage, support, and promote all forms of the cultural arts in the County of Amador; maintain relationships with county, municipal, regional, state, and national arts organizations; operate as a partner to and liaison between the Amador County Board of Supervisors, California Arts Council, a state agency, and the countywide arts community; develop services and programs to enhance the arts in the county; stimulate the economic environment so as to promote Amador County arts and artists to residents and visitors; and serve as a central dispenser of any federal, state, or private money earmarked for county artists and arts organizations.*

*Mission: Amador County Arts Council encourages, supports, and promotes the Arts in our schools and community. We are the central, local branch of the California Arts Council, providing support, resources, advocacy, grant help, and promotion for all arts organizations and artists in Amador County. Amador County Arts Council provides free art classes, concerts, performances, and resources for all ages and all types of arts.*

### **Position Summary**

As a teaching artist you are responsible for creating a fun and nurturing learning environment and establishing teaching relationships that engage students and their families in arts education appropriate for their developmental ages. You'll be responsible for planning and implementing lesson plans and teaching/engaging students and their families/guardians with the arts in order to develop skills, foster creative youth, support families and communities at all stages of life, and build resilience through quality arts

education, insuring accessibility and inclusion for all, and eliciting joy, empathy, and self-discovery through engagement with the arts. In this role you live out the Amador County Arts Council mission to encourage, support, and promote the cultural arts throughout our schools and community in order to catalyze creativity throughout our unique rural community and for all stages of life.

## **Job Functions**

### ***As a Teaching Artist, you'll get to***

- Inspire youth to create, play, and develop confidence and a sense of community through arts education
- Collaborate and co-teach weekly classes of 15-30 students and families of all ages, backgrounds, and abilities
- Create and implement daily activities and lessons based your individual artistic skills and the California Arts Education Standards
- Teach arts skills specific to your discipline through games and activities
- Establish a welcoming learning environment where students and families feel a sense of agency and belonging
- Develop positive relationships with youth and adults to effectively communicate and ensure a safe learning environment
- Direct students through the process of creating a final sharing, performance, or exhibit for family and friends
- Communicate effectively with Amador Arts staff as well as the staff and customers of partner agencies
- Travel to various worksite locations throughout Amador County including partner agencies as well as Amador County Arts Council (inside Amador Senior Center).
- Facilitate transportation of materials and art supplies to each site
- Manage and maintain partner spaces following all facility and safety guidelines

### ***This might be the job for you if***

- You love working with children and are excited to nurture their growth
- You are creative and think on your feet
- You enjoy storytelling, theatre, dance, movement, visual arts, creative play, murals, media, poetry, creative writing, film, radio, music, industrial arts, and other types of artistic practices.
- You are full of initiative and motivated to learn share knowledge
- You are passionate about equity and creating an environment that meets the needs of all children

- You are flexible and thrive in an environment that is different each day and may occasionally be described as “organized chaos”
- You enjoy working in a team environment and collaborating with kids and adults
- You are committed to fostering youth development and growth through educational arts

### **Job Requirements**

- Formal or informal experience working with youth from diverse backgrounds and with a variety of learning styles and abilities
- Experience in the artistic discipline that you will be teaching
- Candidates must be at least 18
- Candidates must pass a state of California background check.
- The position will require travel to partner agencies and school sites (within 15 miles of downtown Jackson)
- The position will require access to internet for email communications and timecards

**Public Health Safety:** Amador County Arts Council continues to follow guidance from the California Department of Health regarding safety protocols for youth programming. At all times Amador County Arts Council follows [the most current public health updates](#), but we understand these are subject to change as new information and recommendations are available. Additionally, the nature of our work with community partners requires us to adapt to their policies as needed. Do not participate in in-person programming if you do not feel well. Physical space is one of the best ways to prevent the spread of many types of viral diseases. Masking is up to the individual as long as they are in compliance with the California Department of Health.

### **How to apply:**

Send your resume/CV, Letter of Intent, and up to three lesson plan examples to [info@amadorarts.org](mailto:info@amadorarts.org). The Inclusion, Diversity, Access, and Equity Committee will assess all applicants and schedule interviews as appropriate. Start date: March

If you have any questions about the job or process for hiring please reach out to Deja Douglas, Administrative Assistant. [info@amadorarts.org](mailto:info@amadorarts.org), 209-256-8166. Learn more about Amador County Arts Council at [amadorarts.org](http://amadorarts.org).