World of Work: ArtWorks Internship Fact Sheet

Who? 9th-12th grade public, private, or homeschool students in Eugene/Springfield

What? ArtWorks is a 3-month hands-on paid internship program for high school students at the Jordan Schnitzer Museum of Art (JSMA), funded by a grant from the Oregon Arts Commission. ArtWorks interns will be exposed to a variety of museum departments and work under the mentorship of museum professionals and practicing artists to:

- Lead art lessons in the JSMA Art Studio for children in grades 1-5 and off-site in healthcare, community, and school settings
- Assist in teaching children and adults with disabilities
- Learn how to mat, frame, and hang works for display
- Research, prepare, and record an audio tour segment and research an object from the JSMA's collection to write an interpretive label for display
- Learn the fundamentals of printmaking, ceramics, and painting

ArtWorks interns will be paid $10/hour ($500 total compensation) and receive an LTD bus pass for use during their internship period.

When? ArtWorks interns may be selected for one of five terms: April-June 2014, June-August 2014, October-December 2014, January-March 2015, or April-June 2015. Interns will only be selected for one internship period. The time commitment is 50 hours over the course of 3 months.

Applicants not selected as interns for the period for which they apply may be considered for future internship terms by indicating terms of interest on their application or by submitting a letter expressing their interest and schedule availability prior to that term’s application deadline.

Applications for the April-June 2015 internship are due March 6, 2015. Applications for the June-August 2015 internship are due April 30, 2015.

Why? ArtWorks provides students with “ready to work” practical skills and essential 21st century skills by actively engaging them in the museum’s work. ArtWorks interns will be mentored by JSMA professional staff to provide meaningful exposure to museum and gallery careers. ArtWorks interns will gain skills that translate to effective leadership, strong communication and writing skills, visual thinking, creativity, and artistic expression. Interns will also establish relationships with University of Oregon students, faculty, and staff and become familiar with the university setting.

How? Complete the ArtWorks internship application form and essay questions and submit with two letters of reference (one must be an academic reference) and submit by application deadline (see above) to Lisa Abia-Smith, JSMA Director of Education at abia@uoregon.edu or by mail to Jordan Schnitzer Museum of Art, 1223 University of Oregon, Eugene, OR 97403, Attn: ArtWorks. Intern candidates will be interviewed.

Questions? Contact Lisa Abia-Smith, JSMA Director of Education, at 541-346-0966 or abia@uoregon.edu
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APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name ________________________________________________________________
Street____________________________________ City____________________ Zip ___________
Phone_________________________________________ Email _______________________________
School _____________________________________________________________ Grade ___________

SCHEDULE AVAILABILITY

The museum is staffed 8 am-5 pm on weekdays (8 am-8 pm on Wednesdays) and 11 am-5 pm on weekends. Indicate all the times on the following days you would be available to intern during the term for which you are applying:

Mondays: _____________________________________________________________
Tuesdays: _____________________________________________________________
Wednesdays: ___________________________________________________________
Thursdays: _____________________________________________________________
Fridays: ______________________________________________________________
Saturdays: _____________________________________________________________
Sundays: ______________________________________________________________

I would like to be reconsidered for an ArtWorks internship in the following term(s):

☐   April-June 2015
☐   June-August 2015
REFERENCES

List the names of two references who will send letters of recommendation. One must be an academic reference; the other may be either a personal or academic reference. Reference letters should be submitted directly to Lisa Abia-Smith at abia@uoregon.edu.

Reference 1 (must be an academic reference):
Name ____________________________________________ Relationship ___________________________
Phone_________________________________________ Email ________________________________

Reference 2 (may be an academic or personal, not family, reference):
Name ____________________________________________ Relationship ___________________________
Phone_________________________________________ Email ________________________________

ESSAY QUESTIONS

Please answer the three essay questions on a separate sheet of paper. Each response should be typed and be no more than 250 words. Each page should be numbered and include your name.

1. What experience have you had with art?
2. How will the ArtWorks internship prepare you for your future goals?
3. What role can art play in our daily lives?

__________________________________________  __________________________
Applicant Signature                                Date

Submit completed application to:
Lisa Abia-Smith, Jordan Schnitzer Museum of Art, 1223 University of Oregon, Eugene, OR 97403, Attn: ArtWorks or by email to abia@uoregon.edu