



# TEACHING ARTISTS

Destiny Arts Center mission is to inspire and ignite social change through the arts. Our community of teaching artists provide the foundation for all our programs. Our classes and workshops develop an appreciation for the arts, develop youths' skills in various artistic disciplines, promote lifelong learning, and transform people and communities.

We are currently hiring for Teaching Artists who can teach Hip Hip dance, Martial Arts, Spoken Word, Percussion, or Traditional Performing Arts. Please see the description below:

## Customary Schedule:

- a. Customary Work Hours: Variable
- b. Customary Work Days: Monday-Saturday
- c. Part Time (average of 4-12 hours per week)
- d. \$45-\$55 per hour instructional rate

## Position Summary:

Teaching Artists work hands-on with youth at both our North Oakland community center as well as through our School & Community Programs, teaching Hip Hop Dance, Martial Arts, Spoken Word, Theatre, Percussion or Traditional Performing Arts. Programs are conducted throughout the East Bay and San Francisco. As ambassadors of Destiny Arts Center, Teaching Artists are expected to embody Destiny's culture of welcome and carry Destiny's values into the venues where they teach. Teaching Artists are expected to maintain a high level of professionalism, artistic mastery and administrative accountability while utilizing our creative youth development framework.

## Duties and Responsibilities:

- Select and plan all class content, which include opening and closing circles, performing arts technique, choreography, and scaffold opportunities for creative expression, exploration and reflection. This includes selecting age appropriate music for choreography for dance classes.
- Attend staff trainings regularly.
- Work closely with Destiny staff to make sure that all duties are handled efficiently in all of your classes.
- Set clear classroom expectations and boundaries with youth in Destiny School and Community Programs and hold students accountable to the expectations by communicating any issues with the school coordinator, the Director of Programs, Senior Program Manager and/or parents/caregivers.
- Role model to all youth the strict adherence to all Destiny rules and expectations.



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- Embody Destiny's mission of social change when creating curriculum, choosing music and performance material for your students.
- Administer student evaluations and take attendance, if nec.
- Complete accurate time sheets in a timely manner.

## **Non Physical Demands/Qualifications:**

- Minimum of three years of experience teaching youth preferably with a youth development approach and teaching arts (movement, dance, theatre, visual arts, martial arts, percussion or spoken word).
- Passionate about working with young people and able to manage classroom time and events in a professional manner.
- Excellent oral and written communication skills with the ability to motivate, facilitate and direct youth.
- Effective interpersonal skills necessary to interact with management, staff, students and/or parents/guardians.
- Must be patient with the ability to clearly explain and instruct youth in the arts discipline being taught.
- Negative TB Test.
- Live Scan Test
- A strong commitment to the mission, goals and work of Destiny Arts Center.
- Experience working with diverse youth populations.
- Basic computer skills and familiarity with (or ability to learn).
- Ability to create lesson plans for short and long term residency programs.
- Ability to teach in unstructured school environments.
- Maintain consistent communication through email, phone and in person.
- Reliable, personal transportation is preferred
- Multilingual, people of color and LGBTQI2S candidates are encouraged to apply.

## **How To Apply:**

Actively accepting applications on a rolling basis. To apply: email a resume and cover letter with the subject line: DAC Teaching Artist to [careers@destinyarts.org](mailto:careers@destinyarts.org). Only complete applications will be accepted. No phone calls or inquiries.