



PORTLAND PARKS & RECREATION

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Professional Teaching Artist – Textiles - Spinning Instructor
(SW Portland - Multnomah Arts Center) Submission Deadline: 9 AM – Wednesday, October 17, 2018

Portland Parks & Recreation values a diverse workforce and seeks ways to promote equity and inclusion within the organization. PP&R encourages candidates with knowledge, ability and experience working with a broad range of individuals and diverse communities to apply. PP&R encourages candidates that can fluently speak more than one language.

Description

Multnomah Arts Center, a program of Portland Parks & Recreation, is currently looking for qualified individuals interested in teaching Spinning to a diverse community. MAC instructors are dedicated professionals with a strong arts background and a commitment to community arts education. For over 40 years, MAC has been providing high-quality arts instruction and participation in the performing and visual arts to the community. MAC provides a lifetime of learning opportunities, connections with community and culture and artistic development.

- The initial schedule is for 3 - 7 hours per week, depending on enrollment.
- Starting pay rate is \$20-26 per hour, depending on experience.
- Some prep time is included.
- This position is part-time (maximum 1600 hours per year).
- This position does not include benefits.

Potential Work Schedule – Starting Winter/Spring 2019

- Weekly class or Weekend Spinning workshop for teens and adults (ages 13 & Up.)
- Intergenerational Spinning Workshops (project-based workshops for youth ages 8-12 accompanied by an adult) – for those interested.
- Instructors may also propose new classes and workshops in this medium.
- Future schedules are determined by mutual agreement.

Minimum Qualifications Required

- Has a degree in art or equivalent professional experience with a strong emphasis in Spinning./Textiles
- Has at least 500 hours of recent classroom teaching experience, including curriculum planning.
- Can teach skill-based curriculum and safety.
- Can foster a positive, supportive classroom environment for a diverse student base.
- Can maintain all appropriate documentation such as records, lesson plans, handouts, safety information, and attendance.

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The Ideal Candidate has knowledge and experience in the following:

- How to select a fleece for spinning and the types of wool suitable for various projects.
- Fleece preparation including washing, hand carding and drum carding.
- Terminology and vocabulary related to spinning.
- Spinning with a drop spindle.
- Parts of the spinning wheel.
- Becoming familiar with spinning wheel, care of and adjustments.
- Spinning single yarns with short and long draw techniques and plied yarns including Navajo three ply, and worsted and semi-worsted yarns.
- Removing from bobbin and yarn “finish” with washing and setting the twist.
- Use of various equipment helpful to spinners including niddy-noddy, ball winder and carders.
- Spinning fibers other than wool and techniques suitable for each.
- Blending fibers.

Physical Demands:

- Ability to use a 5ft step ladder to access spinning wheels and lift 30lbs.

Nondiscrimination Policy

It is the policy of the City of Portland that no person shall be discriminated against based on race, religion, color, sex, marital status, family status, national origin, age, mental or physical disability, protected veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity or source of income. The City values diversity and encourages everyone who is interested in employment with the City to apply. If you wish to identify yourself as an individual with a disability under the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and will be requesting accommodation, the requests must be made to the Analyst(s) named below No Later Than the Closing Date of This Announcement. The City is an Equal Employment Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.

If you are requesting Veteran's Preference, attach a copy of your DD214/DD215 and/or Veteran's Administration letter stating your disability to your profile. You must request Veteran's Preference AND include a copy of your documentation for each recruitment you apply for Veteran's Preference documentation must be submitted with your application.

To apply for this position: Submit a cover letter, résumé, examples or links to your artistic work, and at least three references to: Nicole.Rawlins@portlandoregon.gov; or submit the information to Multnomah Arts Center, Attention: Nicole Rawlins 7688 SW Capitol Hwy, Portland, OR 97219.

No phone calls please.