



JOB DESCRIPTION: ADJUNCT MEDIA ARTS ANIMATION INSTRUCTOR

Organization Background:

Floretta P. Carson Visual and Performing Arts Academy (FPCVPAA), a public charter school located in the heart of Mobile, AL provides a seven- year comprehensive academic and conservatory arts program to students in grades 6-12. Established in 2023, FPC VPAA is one of the premier arts schools in Alabama, where aspiring young artists have the opportunity to refine their skills and flourish in one of 16 pre-professional arts conservatories.

FPC VPAA serves a culturally diverse student body across Mobile and surrounding areas. belief that creative artistry is fueled by intellectual insight, FPC VPAA prepares students for careers in visual and performing arts and/or post-secondary education by providing engaging, academically rigorous, and responsive lessons, and continuous opportunities for students to excel beyond their current ideas of creativity.

Position Description

The ideal candidate is a media artist with a passion to educate high-school students in the principles and production of animation and motion media. They should have experience in project-based curricula in animation, motion graphics, and emerging technologies. Successful applicants will have a continuing commitment to innovation, integration, and adaptability of ever-evolving technologies.

Duties and Responsibilities

- Sets course objectives, plans lessons, organizes, and teaches media arts as scheduled to enrolled high school-aged students.
- Teaches, supports, and facilitates all levels of media production from beginner to advanced including animation, motion graphics, game design, and overall technological integration with other art forms. In addition, teaches the history, theory, and aesthetics of media arts so that students learn to appreciate the art form, use it in all manners of collaboration and to make informed decisions in their work.
- Monitors student progress for improvement and awards grades following the established policies.
- Prepares and mentors students to enter media-related /film and /or audio festivals and contests.
- Attends FPC events, including evenings and weekends for student shows, Celebration Season and Audition Workshops.
- Mentors students and oversees student external activities, including field trips, writing letters of recommendation, and assisting with portfolio preparation.
- Collaborates with students, parents, and counselors to facilitate students' engagement and successful completion of the program, and preparation for life after FPC.

Preferred Qualifications:

- Master's and/or Doctorate Degree)

Required Qualifications:

- Bachelor's Degree (within area of expertise)
- Expert knowledge in animation and motion media software including but not limited to Dragonframe, Toonboom, Adobe Animate, Adobe After Effects, and other Adobe products,
- Possess an expansive approach to animation with a knowledge of the fundamentals of 2D and 3D animation, narrative storytelling, and the ability to creatively integrate traditional techniques with emerging technologies and platforms.
- Ability to teach 2D and 3D concepts, compositing, visual effects, motion graphics, and animation for interactive, mobile, and immersive environments.
- Familiarity with the history and critical theory of animation and current practices of animation within the context of media arts.
- Proficient in Stop-Motion animation
- Skills in Vector or hand-drawn illustration
- Knowledge of Concept Art and Visual Storytelling - Storyboard Abilities
- A personal and professional commitment to creating an atmosphere of quality instruction.
- A demonstrated history of working effectively with diverse individuals.
- Experience with interdisciplinary collaboration
- Ability to communicate well, both orally and in writing.
- Strong organizational skills and a commitment to excellence.
- Knowledge or experience utilizing technology and innovative pedagogy to deliver exceptional teaching and learning desired.
- Skills in Graphic Design and Communication a plus
- Film production knowledge a plus

Competitive Salary:

Commensurate with Experience.

To Apply:

Submit your resume along with a cover letter and references to Dr. Krista Williams at info@fpcvpaa.com or ke6305@gmail.com.

Application Deadline:

Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis until positions are filled.