

ESS COMMUNITY PROJECTS @ ECKFORD STREET STUDIO

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Volunteer Opportunity ESS Community Projects @ Eckford Street Studio 70 Eckford St, Brooklyn

ESS Community Projects (ESScp) is currently seeking committed volunteers for 4-5 hours per week on Monday afternoons to support our Community Mondays program, a donation-based, drop-off, drop-in class for students in grades K-5. Volunteers will work closely with experienced art educators to facilitate open-ended art investigations that bring together art history, hands-on skill building and problem solving, and students' own life experiences and interests. Art projects may include explorations in painting, drawing, printmaking, sculpture and assemblage, and more. While art making expertise is not required, comfort with a variety of art materials and methods -- and a willingness to try new things, ask questions, and learn -- is essential.

Volunteers also receive professional development on topics including art materials and methods, art education best practices, child development, and classroom management. This is a great opportunity for artists, students, and other individuals looking to build community connections and/or gain experience in art education in a welcoming, supportive, and fun environment.

Responsibilities:

- Work with ESScp Teaching Artists to conduct after school art lessons in our Greenpoint studio space
- Help to maintain an organized workspace, including monitoring art supplies, setting up and cleaning up, and keeping classroom storage neat and orderly
- Work with students one-on-one and in small groups
- Provide documentation by photographing students and programs
- Attend training session(s) and professional development workshops as requested
- Complete additional tasks as directed

Qualifications:

- Interest in the arts and art education
- Experience working with children
- Ability to be flexible and follow the lead of a Teaching Artist
- Collaborative spirit and sense of humor
- Able to make a commitment to work from 2:00-6:00pm on at least five Mondays throughout the school year, preferably more
- Able to pass a background check

Benefits:

- Working with master Teaching Artists
- Professional development in arts education
- Free attendance at Tuesday night BYOB Figure Drawing at Eckford Street Studio
- Course credit and/or fieldwork hours can be arranged

About ESScp

ESS Community Projects is a non-profit organization located in Greenpoint, Brooklyn committed to bringing high quality art education to all families in its North Brooklyn community, regardless of income or experience.

ESScp serves our community through on-site programming for children, families, and adults; workshops around the neighborhood with local artists; and partnerships with local schools.

In our studio, students develop a sense of agency as we give them the tools, skills, and support necessary for the development of an authentic, personal artistic practice. We encourage experimentation, problem-solving, and collaboration. Responsive curricula and ample time to explore ideas, materials, and processes empower our students as they develop confidence in themselves and their choices, learn to synthesize information in new ways, and deepen their understanding of the world around them. Participants in ESScp programs build a creative community as they inspire each other, realize personal visions, and make beautiful messes.

To learn more about the organization and our programs, visit www.esscp.org.

TO APPLY

Please send a brief cover letter and resume to Stefanie Lewin, Education Manager, at stefanie@esscp.org.