



26/27 School Year Teaching Artists for Drama Workshops GREAT Theatre Job Description

Position Title: Teaching Artist

Status: non-exempt / seasonal part-time

Compensation: \$18-20/hour stipend

Hours: Mon-Fri, approximately 5-10 hrs/week between the hours of 2:30-5:30pm.

- Times and days vary from location to location: E.g. Mon-Fri from 3:15-4:45pm

Duration: 9 weeks between Oct 2026-May 2027 with potential for added weeks

Location: various youth community organizations throughout the St. Cloud area

Reports to: Education Manager

Application: To apply, please email jobs@greattheatre.org the following information.

- a written introduction of yourself and how you're qualified for the position along with work history
- OR an attached cover letter and resume

About GREAT Theatre

Great River Educational Arts Theatre (GREAT), is a non-profit community theatre in Waite Park, MN (60 miles north of Minneapolis) that enriches lives by bringing people together to build lasting connections through theatrical storytelling that challenges, educates, entertains, and inspires. Through dynamic on-stage programming that consists of producing 7-8 full-scale shows featuring local talent, multiple production collaborations, and innovative off-stage educational outreach throughout Central Minnesota, we invite people to be part of the story to build a more vibrant community, celebrate differences, and create a sense of belonging for everyone. By reaching nearly 50,000 people each year, GREAT brings our community together through the transformative power of the arts.

GREAT is committed to attracting and retaining employees with varying identities and backgrounds. We aspire to create a team that represents the diversity of our community while creating a space that encourages and embraces inclusiveness, equal opportunity, and respect. Additionally, we are committed to anti-racism through ongoing and consistent action, moving

with urgency while identifying both immediate and long-term strategic actions, both as individuals and collectively as an organization.

About GREAT Theatre's Drama Workshop Program

GREAT Theatre's Drama Workshop Program engages students creatively through a variety of theatre-based activities focused on using body, voice, and imagination to create exciting characters and tell fantastic stories. From improv to playwriting, drama workshops are designed to build confidence, communication, and social emotional skills in addition to identity exploration through the tools of theatre. Designed for elementary students, we teach drama workshops at and in partnership with various community organizations: KIDSTOP, Boys & Girls Club, Promise Neighborhood, D Blake Center, Youthset, etc.

Position Summary

As a teaching artist you are responsible for creating a fun and nurturing learning environment that engages youth in creative play appropriate for their developmental ages. You'll be responsible for teaching weekly drama workshops, focusing on the process of storytelling, developing life skills, and building community. In this role you live out GREAT's mission of building life skills through quality arts education, ensuring accessibility and inclusion for all, and eliciting joy, empathy and self-discovery through live theatre experiences.

Job Functions

As a Teaching Artist, you'll get to

- Inspire youth to create, play, and develop confidence and a sense of community through theatre arts
- Collaborate and co-teach weekly workshops of 10-30 students of all backgrounds and abilities at out-of-school youth organizations throughout the St. Cloud area
- Implement and adapt daily activities and lessons based on provided theatre curriculum
- Establish a welcoming learning environment where students feel a sense of agency and belonging
- Develop positive relationships with youth and adults to effectively communicate and ensure a safe learning environment
- Communicate effectively with GREAT staff
- Travel to various schools and after-school programs in the St. Cloud area
- Manage and maintain partner spaces following all facility and safety guidelines

This might be the job for you if

- You have worked with youth in formal and/or informal settings
- You have initiative and motivation to learn
- You enjoy working in a team environment and collaborating with kids and adults
- You are committed to fostering youth development and growth through educational arts
- You are passionate about equity and creating an environment that meets the needs of all children
- You are flexible and thrive in an environment that is different each day and may occasionally be described as “organized chaos”

Desirable Skills (bonus but not required)

- Formal or informal experience working with youth from diverse backgrounds and with a variety of learning styles and abilities
- Experience in theatre: theatre, storytelling, or movement/dance

Job Requirements

- Candidates must be at least 18, per GREAT’s Child Safety Policy.
- Candidates must pass a state of Minnesota background check.
- The position will require providing your own transportation to local schools and after-school programs within the St. Cloud area.

If you have any questions about the job or process for hiring please reach out to Emily Johnson, Education Manager, emily@greattheatre.org, 320.258.2787. Learn more about GREAT Theatre at www.GREATTheatre.org.