

## **Creative Dance Instructor(s) and Assistant(s)**

Casual/Part Time (employment dependent on enrollment)

Location: South Surrey

### **About Arts Umbrella**

Arts Umbrella is where young artists ages 2–22 cultivate their creativity in Dance, Theatre, and Visual Arts. As a non-profit organization for arts education, we believe that art is powerful. Powerful enough to change kids' lives in incredible ways. When young people connect with the arts, they gain self-confidence, develop self-discipline, and discover creative expression—things they carry with them for life. Arts Umbrella has four locations in Vancouver and Surrey, as well as donor-funded programs at schools, community centres, neighbourhood houses, and healthcare facilities across Metro Vancouver. We reach close to 21,000 students every year, with nearly 80% participating at little to no cost.

Now celebrating over 41 years, Arts Umbrella has made the exciting move into the South Building of the former Emily Carr University of Art + Design on Granville Island in April 2021. This exceptional opportunity will allow Arts Umbrella to further our vision for a better world where all young lives are inspired to pursue a lifelong journey towards self-expression, compassion, and humanity. It is our mission to be Canada's leader in arts education for young people; to build community and deliver profound life experiences through our commitment to innovation, excellence, and inclusivity. Arts Umbrella is an organization full of heart, where self-expression and creativity are valued and nurtured.

### **Diversity & Inclusion**

Arts Umbrella is dedicated to promoting diversity and inclusion. Our commitment is reflected in our programming, the audience we engage with, the students we serve as well as the staff we employ. Diversity and inclusion in our organization means fostering a workplace in which individual differences are recognized, appreciated and respected. We actively seek applications from Indigenous peoples, visible minorities, persons with disabilities, people of all sexual orientations and genders, and others with knowledge in diversity and inclusion to help us strengthen our commitment.

### **The opportunity**

Reporting to the Artistic Director of Dance, and the Director, Community Programs, instructors/assistants are responsible for the design and implementation of programming in their specific discipline. This includes the following:

- Preparation of term overviews in collaboration with Co-Instructor, developing a thorough understanding of related curriculum documents, and an ability to implement positive student engagement techniques in the classroom.
- Program Instructors are also required to work as a part of the team in implementing Arts Umbrella's unique and creative vision and communicate this to students and parents.

Currently, Arts Umbrella has a specific need to fill classes for ages 2-12 and recruitment will focus on this age group. Generally, Arts Umbrella offers classes from ages 2-18.



### **About you**

Our ideal candidate will have a background in performing arts and dance teaching experience, preferably with post-secondary training in Dance or related discipline. This candidate should demonstrate enthusiasm to inspire creativity in children and youth and hold a solid understanding of Arts Umbrella's vision and mission. In addition, this individual should be aware and demonstrate a confident knowledge in the Standards for Instruction in their current practice.

### **How to apply**

Please forward your resume and cover letter in one document to [job@artsumbrella.com](mailto:job@artsumbrella.com) no later than **November 15, 2021** indicating **Dance Instructor – Surrey or Dance Assistant – Surrey** in the subject line. We will review resumes as they arrive and schedule interviews when appropriate.

Arts Umbrella thanks all applicants for their interest and advises that only those selected for an interview will be contacted. ***No phone calls please.***