



## Assistant: Art & Design

**Location:** Granville Island, Vancouver

**Employment Type:** 2023-2024 Sessional, Part-time

**Days:** Evenings, Weekends, at least 10 hours/week

### Sessions

**Fall Session:** September 11 – December 17, 2023

**Winter Session:** January 8 – March 11, 2024

**Spring Session:** April 8 – June 23, 2024

Sessional classes are based on availability, with additional opportunities for Spring Break (March 2024) and Summer (July 2024)

### **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 centers, neighborhood 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.

### **The Opportunity**

Reporting to the Audain Artistic Director, Art & Design, the Assistants help support the class Instructor, implement positive student engagement techniques and manage the studio. This includes:

- Support program instructors, ensuring supplies and classrooms are prepared in advance of classes, and working with instructors to ensure students are safe and engaged at all times while at Arts Umbrella.
- Work as a part of the team in implementing Arts Umbrella's unique and creative vision and communicate this to students and parents
- Ensure all safety and cleaning protocols are met and maintain the classroom set up before and after class

### **Here's What you Bring**

- Knowledge of an artistic practice combined with proven ability to inspire creativity in children and youth
- Strong understanding of Arts Umbrella's vision and mission, and can demonstrate the Standards for Instruction in their current practice
- Professional experience in the subject area and demonstrated experience interacting with children or an equivalent combination of education and experience



### **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.

### **How to apply**

If you would like to make a difference in the lives of kids & teens, please forward your resume and cover letter in one document to [job@artsumbrella.com](mailto:job@artsumbrella.com) with **Faculty Assistant: Art + Design** 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.***