



**Job Description: Teaching Artist, Disney Musicals in Schools Residency**

**Employee Type:** Part-Time Contractor

**Reports to:** DMIS Program Coordinator

**Pay Rate:** \$4,200 contract

**Hennepin Theatre Trust's *Spotlight Education* program** is an essential part of arts education across many Minnesota schools. Annually, we help nearly 8,000 students in more than 100 high schools build confidence, critical thinking, empathy, sense of community and knowledge of theater. Additionally, *Spotlight Education* partners with community organizations and elementary schools to create inclusive and sustainable arts experiences.

**Disney Musicals in Schools** began at Disney Theatrical Group in New York City in 2009 and was established to create sustainable theater programs in public elementary schools. Using the unique world of musical theater, Disney Musicals in Schools helps foster positive relationships between students, faculty, staff, parents and the community.

**Position Summary**

This position partners with a select public school in the Twin Cities metro to help establish and foster a musical theater program, with the primary goal being inclusivity and sustainability. This position will hold residency in this school for the entirety of the Program Year. The Teaching Artist role requires you and your TA partner to visit your assigned school once a week for 17 weeks, partnering with the school to develop the wide spectrum of skills needed when producing a piece of musical theater, including: critical thinking, problem solving, ensemble building, communication, self-confidence and interpersonal skills.

**Responsibilities:**

- Attend DMIS Orientation and Teaching Artist Training
- Lead/attend a 90-minute rehearsal at your assigned school once per week for 17 weeks
- Adequately prepare for each production meeting/rehearsal in accordance with DMIS expectations and appropriately adapted to your assigned school's needs
- Submit weekly reports to DMIS Program Coordinator
- Attend your assigned school's final performance
- Attend Student Share showcase at end of Program Year

**Job Requirements:**

- Demonstrate skills and professional experience in musical theatre, including: choreography, directing, performance, and/or music direction
- Hold a BA, BS, or BFA in Theatre, Education, Educational Theatre, Applied Theatre or related field, or have equivalent experience
- Have experience working as a Teaching Artist or classroom teacher
- Have experience working with diverse populations and ages
- Have experience working on a play or musical with children
- Demonstrate strong classroom management skills
- Have excellent collaborative skills and thrive in a group work setting
- Possess strong time-management skills; be punctual and reliable

- Demonstrate respect for all students, teachers, and administrators participating in the program, and offer a superior level of professionalism, customer service, and positivity
- Be employed according to the standards and procedures set forth in the program agreement (including satisfying all requisite background checks, etc.)

### **Physical Requirements**

- Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the assigned and essential functions.
- Requires some travel.

*Spotlight Education* will make every effort to provide reasonable accommodations for Teaching Artists to be able to perform the duties of the job. Please be aware that we are not in control of the schools' rehearsal spaces, but can assist in navigating any issues that arise.

Disclaimer: The above statements are intended to describe the general nature and level of work performed by employees assigned to this position. They are not intended to be an exhaustive list of all duties, responsibilities, and qualifications.

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