



Job Posting: Artist Mentor for Studio in the City 13

Deadline: February 19, 2020 Midnight

Contract Period: May 1 – September 15, 2020

Artist(s) project fee: \$7,000 (not including material costs)

North Van Arts is seeking an artist-mentor (individual or team) with a shared vision to propose, implement, and oversee a public art project with a group of youth artist-apprentices during the summer of 2020. The youth Artist-apprentices will be hired through the Studio in the City program by the City of North Vancouver.

Studio in the City is an annual youth employment program of the City of North Vancouver that provides youth ages 15 - 19 with opportunities to apprentice in the arts on various canvases and landscapes throughout the City of North Vancouver. The program partners with supporters of the arts and is managed by North Van Arts. For more information and background, please visit the SITC website

<https://www.cnv.org/City-Services/Planning-and-Policies/Youth/Access-Services/Studio-in-the-City>

Responsibilities:

The **Artist Mentor** will oversee the research, design, and execution of a *mural project* in the pedestrian corridor off the 100 block of East 13th (off Lonsdale). The mural will be located at the centre point between RCMP, Lionsgate Hospital, CNV Fire Station 1, and the Stella Jo Dean Plaza. The project will reflect on this centre point as the heart of the City of North Vancouver and of a healthy community.

Mentorship:

An important part of this programme is to mentor young artists in the process of creating community-based public art. The **Artist Mentor's** role will engage all the artist apprentices throughout the process, helping them gain practical experience in a large-scale art project. The youth will be part of the research, design, and execution of the project. Artist-apprentices will use this experience to build their portfolios. The **Artist Mentor** will work with the artist apprentices Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 10am-3pm during July and August, 2020, with the possibility of one or two Saturday workshops in June.

Artist Mentor duties include:

- researching and outlining the public project including community consultation
- designing and creating the mural with the artist apprentices
- mentoring and supervising the artist-apprentices, teaching practical skills to complete the project if needed
- providing the students with a cultural and historical context of the area
- development of a workplan

- leading the execution of the public art piece
- sourcing materials, working within the budget
- project reporting including the production of short film documenting the project's process (can be given as a project to one of the students)

Requirements & Qualifications:

- Experience in public art projects, specifically murals.
- Proven experience working with youth, including at risk youth, in a collaborative process
- Experience providing mentorship, guidance, and support to youth
- Knowledge, understanding of, and commitment to inclusive community-engaged arts
- Excellent time management, planning, and organizational skills
- Ability to assume leadership, as well as supporting team members,
- Ability to communicate and collaborate with multiple stakeholders
- First Aid Level 1 required, or applicant must be willing to do a First Aid Level 1 course paid for by the City of North Vancouver
- Criminal Record Check
- Availability between April- September, 2020

How to apply:

Send a cover letter, cv and relevant portfolio material to leighanne@northvanarts.com

Short-listed candidates will be interviewed from February 20 to February 26, 2020.