



## Teaching Artist: Creative Writing Track

Full-Time | \$45,000 - \$50,000

*\*Part-time position may be considered*

As a Teaching Artist reporting to the Program Coordinator, you will use your education and writing experience to support the growth and learning of youth in our ***I Am Art. I Am Change. Apprenticeship*** program through the facilitation of workshops and classes designed to build their knowledge base. This position aims to facilitate a comprehensive artistic, technical and intellectual understanding and use of the mediums of poetry, prose, essay writing and other forms of creative writing. You will foster a climate that inspires creativity, intellectual curiosity, freedom of expression and critical-thinking, and help recruit and support young people in their efforts to understand, process, and advocate for social justice issues in the community.

This is a hybrid position with work regularly scheduled between Monday – Friday 11am – 6pm. Evenings and weekends may be required.

### **In this role, you will:**

- Develop and facilitate curriculum for the apprenticeship program that introduces new media and techniques, highlights BIPOC artists, canonical artists, and social justice issues/themes.
- Engage and support youth's goals while helping to build their professional, artistic and social entrepreneurship skills.
- Introduce and model respectful inquiry and the acceptance of different world views, cultures, traditions, and identities creating an inclusive and healthy learning environment.
- Play an active role in the marketing, promoting, and recruitment of youth by supporting the planning and execution of events, public workshops, and other aspects of programming.
- Document apprentices' work and progress while supporting the creation and preparation of their long-term public art projects.
- Maintain consistent communication with apprentices to keep them engaged

### **For this role, you will need:**

- Minimum associates degree or equivalent work experience.
- Minimum of two years of relevant experience.
- A diverse portfolio.
- Background in youth development and/or social justice work.
- Experience with managing projects.

### **The ideal candidate:**

- Is curious; always learning and seeking ways to make things better.
- Is conscientious; keeps promises, taking commitments to others seriously.

- Is humble; lead with humility and empathy, respecting and learning from the perspectives of others.
- Has strong interpersonal and professional communication skills with the ability to work, advocate, and build relationships in a collaborative style with a diverse range of people.
- Proficient personal organization skills, ability to handle multiple tasks and prioritize and use time effectively.
- Is able to exercise good judgment and discretion.
- Is strategic and possesses creative thinking and problem-solving skills.
- Has good time management and written/verbal communication skills
- Takes initiative
- Is bilingual (English/Spanish)

### **About Elevated Thought Inc.**

Elevated Thought is an art and social justice 501(c)(3) organization based in Lawrence, MA. We develop spaces for BIPOC youth and communities to engage and understand art's liberating power. ET actively addresses forms of injustice through creative youth development, spatial reclamation projects, public outreach, and paid opportunities for BIPOC creatives.

### **Why Join Our Team?**

**Make an impact** with us as we commit to a mission that challenges and works to dismantle systemic oppression. **Learn and grow** as we are committed to growing the capabilities of everyone we serve and who is on our team. **Be supported** by our commitment to offering a benefits package that includes paid leave, time off, medical, dental, coverage.

**To apply:** Email cover letter, resume, and at least three (3) examples of written work (in PDF, JPG or Word Doc) to [apps@elevatedthought.org](mailto:apps@elevatedthought.org) by **APRIL 14, 2022**.

**For more information:** Visit our website at [www.elevatedthought.com](http://www.elevatedthought.com) or contact: [info@elevatedthought.org](mailto:info@elevatedthought.org)

*Elevated Thought ® is an equal opportunity employer and intends to develop a staff that reflects the diversity of the students and community that we serve. Supporting individuals from marginalized communities— including but not limited to BIPOC, LGBTQ+ people, and immigrants— is at the core of who we are. As such, people from marginalized racial, ethnic, cultural, and linguistic backgrounds are strongly encouraged to apply.*