



## INDIGENOUS VISUAL ARTS EDUCATOR (CONTRACT)

**Term:** This position runs until June 2020 and will remain open until filled. This position begins with training and shadowing with senior instructors.

**Job Type:** Contract, based on program registrations (1 to 15 programs per week)

**Workdays:** Monday–Friday, 1.5 hour programs run between 8:30 am–3:30 pm.

Art Gallery of St. Albert (AGSA), with Arts and Heritage Foundation of St. Albert, has exciting opportunities for highly energetic, creative and organized individuals. Visual Arts Educators support artistic achievement and visual culture in St. Albert and surrounding area by providing inspiring, engaging and hands-on educational art programs for the community. AGSA is passionate about art education and its capacity to develop confidence and a variety of life and career skills in students.

Indigenous visual arts programs present, represent, and share Indigenous knowledge and traditions while providing connections and cultural context to contemporary Indigenous practices and art forms.

Supports the mission of the Arts and Heritage Foundation (AHF) – offering exceptional arts and heritage experiences in the community. Supports AHF value - honouring our diversity and our Aboriginal roots

The Arts and Heritage Foundation hires on the basis of merit. We are committed to the principle of equity in employment. We welcome diversity and encourage applications from all qualified people, including those with disabilities, members of visible minorities and Indigenous persons.

### Job Description:

- Preparation and delivery of curriculum-based Indigenous visual arts programming that centers on Indigenous knowledge, concerns, worldviews and reflects Indigenous pedagogies.
- Create Indigenous art experiences designed for school groups, homeschool groups, community groups, or gallery tour groups which take place at the St. Albert Place Visual Arts Studios, Art Gallery of St. Albert or in the community
- Spark curiosity amongst students in a variety of subjects, engaging participants intellectually and kinesthetically through visual arts activities
- Organize program equipment and supplies as well as ensure proper health and safety practices and clean facilities are maintained at all locations
- Facilitate connections and partnerships within local Indigenous communities
- Build positive relationships with colleagues, teachers and school groups
- Provide excellent customer service to all participants

### Ideal candidates possess:

- A passion for art with a Fine Arts Diploma/ Degree, Art Education Degree (equivalent and or transferable skills/ experience will be considered)
- Aboriginal Studies certificate or equivalent knowledge of First Nations, Metis, Inuit art and perspectives
- Experience instructing art to children, youth or adults in group settings
- Passionate about working and learning with children
- Studio experience with various media
- Experience with clay (wedging/ hand-building)
- Effective classroom management skills for diverse groups and age levels
- Excellent communication skills with all types of learners
- Proactive, flexible and positive approach to all aspects of the job
- Committed, punctual and dependable team player
- Valid Driver's license and vehicle for transporting program totes
- Michif and/or Cree language skills are considered an asset
- Current Emergency First Aid/CPR certificate
- RCMP criminal records check and a vulnerable sector check

### Work schedule:

- Programs take place at schools or in the St. Albert Place Visual Art Studios
- Rate of pay is based on qualification and experience
- Schedule is flexible and based on actual program registrations

### Please submit your résumé and cover letter to:

Shannon Vance, Program Manager  
Art Gallery of St. Albert: 19 Perron Street, St. Albert, AB, T8N 1E5  
shannonv@artsandheritage.ca  
\*No phone calls please.

We thank all applicants for their interest; however, only candidates under further consideration will be contacted.

### Deadline for application: Open until a suitable candidate is chosen