

# **Museum Educator (occasional)**

The Aga Khan Museum connects cultures and communities through art. The Museum's mission is to foster a greater understanding and appreciation of the contributions that Muslim civilizations have made and continue to make to world heritage.

A Toronto-based Museum, we promote pluralism through art, stories, and enlightened encounters, across cultures. Using visual and performing arts as a force for good in the world, the Museum's ambitious vision is to promote peaceful co-existence and positive intercultural dialogue. As a global learning hub, uniquely positioned to play a pivotal role in creating connections among people and communities locally, nationally, and around the world.

### **Purpose of Position**

Reporting to the Education and Public Engagement Manager, the Museum Educator will be responsible for delivering onsite and online educational museum programs for visitors of all ages including visiting school classes; gallery programs for the general public; and outreach programs to schools and communities in the Greater Toronto Area (GTA). In addition, under the direction of the Education and Public Engagement Manager, the Museum Educator may be assigned to specific projects for the development of program content for school visit programs, curriculum resources, gallery programs, outreach programs and training material.

# Key Responsibilities

- Deliver online and onsite educational museum programs, tours, and workshops for all ages (including visiting classes of students from Kindergarten to Grade Twelve, visiting College and University classes, and museum visitors)
- Deliver outreach visits to schools and communities in the GTA
- Assist in the development of educational programs
- Assist in the development of curriculum resources for schools and educators
- Assist in the training of Education Volunteers (content development and delivery)
- Plan and facilitate day-to-day program requirements, including supplies and room set-up
- Liaise with departmental staff for school bookings, supplies orders and reports
- Support opportunistic and 'last minute' program arrangements, assisting with location setups and program preparation, as and when required to do so
- Any other tasks assigned by the line manager.

# **Qualifications & Experience**

- A University degree in a Museum-related discipline. A graduate degree in Education, Museum Studies, Fine Art, or related field is an asset
- Minimum two years experience in teaching and program delivery in a professional museum or cultural environment
- Experience in developing and delivering music or performing arts camps/programs is an asset
- Excellent knowledge of the principles of lifelong, object-based learning and the needs of broadly diverse audiences



- Passion for museums and their interaction with diverse audiences
- Knowledge of the arts of Muslim societies as they are represented by the Aga Khan Museum's collections is preferable
- Experience with art materials and the principles of arts-based learning for hands-on studio activities
- A teaching degree with music education or performing arts or visual art specialization, is an asset
- Thrives in a fast-paced environment that sometimes requires creative thinking and problem solving when serving the needs of the Museum's visitors
- Well-developed organizational skills including scheduling and project coordination
- Ability to function extremely well on a team; diplomatic negotiating skills
- Well-developed interpersonal, oral and written communication and consultation skills
- Flexible work hours availability and willingness to work evenings and weekends if needed
- French is a definite asset
- Well-developed computer skills including Excel, Word, and PowerPoint
- Own vehicle and valid driver's license will be an asset
- Vulnerable Persons Police Check will be required
- Expressed interest in the mandate of the Museum

### Please note that the hourly rate for this position is \$32.00 per hour.

Hours and/or days of work are not guaranteed and the incumbent will be notified when services are required. Flexible availability will be advantageous.

#### To Apply

Please send your cover letter and resume to <a href="mailto:akm.hr@akdn.org">akm.hr@akdn.org</a>. Please note this is an ongoing position.

Applicants must be **fully vaccinated**, as defined by Public Health. The Museum will comply with its human rights obligations and accommodate applicants who are legally entitled to accommodation under the *Ontario Human Rights Code*. The Museum thanks all those who apply, however only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

Please note that the Museum is an equal opportunity employer and is committed to fair and accessible employment practices. Upon request, suitable accommodations are available under the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act for applicants invited to an interview.