

# Summer Camp Create: Junior Counselor Volunteer Opportunity

## **ABOUT ARTSCOPE**

It is the Mission of Artscope to provide a safe and educational environment for children to explore the Arts and to strengthen the ties within the Saint Louis community.

#### TEACHING PHILOSOPHY

Artscope's teaching philosophy centers around the development of creative skills in young people. At Artscope we believe that creativity is a skill that can be developed with practice, not a special talent a child either has or doesn't have.

We believe ALL children are creative, and what they need to express their creativity is an opportunity to practice the creative skills that art-making teaches in a supportive and failure-free environment.

By encouraging children to develop an artistic idea and follow it through to a conclusion, using whatever materials and resources are available, we help them build confidence in their own creative abilities.

We also believe in the power of play and the benefits of immersion in nature. At Artscope, children spend as much time outdoors as the weather allows, exploring their surroundings, inventing new games, and connecting with friends. Artscope is also a technology-free zone a rare space in our modern world.

### POSITION

Artscope is seeking qualified Junior Counselors with a passion for working with young people. Our camps run for 10 weeks beginning Tuesday May 28th- August 9th. \*Note:

there is no camp the week of July 4th. Junior Counselors sign-up by the week. Multiple weeks are welcome! Shifts are 8:45a-3:15p.

Reporting to the Artscope Camp Director, Junior Counselors are in a leadership position acting as role models for younger campers. While practicing Artscope's core values of Creativity, Diversity, Ecology, Cooperation and Play.

#### RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1. Work collaboratively with staff and other Junior Counselors
- 2. Accompany a small mixed age group of 7-10 campers through their daily camp activities
- 3. As a role model for campers be able to maintain a positive attitude
- 4. Respect and demonstrate Artscope's mission, core values, and rules.
- 5. Help create an environment that supports success of each child
- 6. Help maintain a clean and welcoming space
- 7. Track service hours and relay to staff after completion

## MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

- 1. Must be entering 9th Grade or above in the 2019-20 school year
- 2. Experience or interest in working with children grades K-5th
- 3. Interest in art, outdoor activities, and/or ecology and a love for summer camp.
- 4. Punctuality and timely response to written and oral communication with Artscope staff
- 5. Available M-F 8:45a-3:15p the week or weeks assigned

## **SERVICE HOURS**

This position is volunteer in exchange for Service Hours when applicable

Junior Counselor Application: <a href="https://goo.gl/forms/5yQ8BLR6KbowzrK13">https://goo.gl/forms/5yQ8BLR6KbowzrK13</a>
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