



Dear Artists & Educators,

Steamboat Creates is looking for educators and artists to design and teach a week-long Young at Art (YAA) Creativity Camp for summer 2020. This is a great way to earn a little extra income while sharing your passion with young artists. **Submit your proposal by December 14, 2019.** Weekly sessions will be running from mid-June to mid-August.

Young at Art is one of the longest running programs at the historic Depot Art Center. Since its inception in 1988, we have served thousands of children between the ages of 4-18. This year's programming will focus on the theme of creative movement and outdoor explorations. While we want the camps to continue to focus on creativity, we want to encourage instructors to bring that creativity into movement breaks and outside adventures. Research demonstrates that engagement with our natural surroundings is critical to the development of a healthy brain, and child. What better way to explore our surroundings than through the lens of creative activities?

Outdoor explorations can also bolster the creative problem solving, collaboration with peers, and learning through curiosity that we want throughout the classes, both inside and out. As we know, movement break are also critical for keeping our brains awake and learning, and there are lots of creative movement games for kids. Just ask Sylvie if you would like to learn some quick creative movement breaks that can get a group re-focused and ready for the next activity. Weaving natural wonder, outdoor exploration and/or creative movement throughout your class will help keep the kids stimulated, engaged and the creative juices flowing!

Steamboat Creates supports YAA teachers by:

- Enhancing marketing
- Taking care of registrations and liability forms
- Providing a dedicated intern to help with your class, and sign-in/sign-out procedures
- Providing the Create Space art pantry for up-cycled supply needs
- Helping you flesh out your project ideas
- Providing a small budget for some material costs
- Coordinating paraprofessionals for students with special needs
- Paying teachers 50% of all the registration fees (including all scholarship students)

Students meet daily Monday-Friday, from 8:30am-12:00pm for the morning sessions and 1:00pm-4:30pm for afternoon sessions. Full-day sessions are also an option. We ask that teachers maximize the student's class time by allowing 30 minutes before and after class for preparation, setup and cleanup. Past classes have featured dance, jewelry making, photography, creative writing, mad science, painting, fashion design, music, fly-tying, robotics and theater. We are looking for proposals for programming for youth ages 4 to 15 and you can specify a more specific age range.

Please contact Steamboat Creates for more information: 970-879-9008 or sylvie@steamboatcreates.org