The Lawrence Arts Center is now hiring a Director of Visual Arts Education.
We are seeking candidates who are inspired by our mission and have a desire to shape a visual arts education program for youth and adults.

Position Description:

The Director of Visual Arts Education shapes the vision, philosophy and strategies of the visual arts education and residency programs at the Lawrence Arts Center. This leadership role involves planning and implementing all visual arts educational offerings for ages 6 and up. The Director of Visual Arts Education is also the lead administrator of the artist in residency programs in Ceramics and Printmaking. This is a full-time, salaried position with a flexible schedule. Benefits include: health, dental, 401K, Life Insurance, Employee Assistance Program, holidays, vacation, and sick leave. Salary Range $45,000 - $52,000.

Responsibilities:

- Design all educational aspects of the Visual Arts Education Program.
- Lead and manage residents, Visual Arts Education Program staff, and faculty.
- Supervise the implementation of all aspects of the visual arts education program, including planning, scheduling, and coordination of classes, workshops, and events.
- Administer all aspects of the annual residency program.
- Recruit, hire, and mentor a team of qualified art educators and teaching artists.
- Ensure faculty, staff, and volunteers have the resources and support to meet educational goals and maintain a positive learning environment.
- Foster an inclusive, supportive environment for children, families, adult learners, artists, and educators.
- Serve as the point person on collaborations between the education program and all other Lawrence Arts Center program areas.
- Maintain high-quality lifelong art experiences through leadership and strategic planning.
- Implement strategies that promote student engagement, retention, and achievement.
- Develop and manage the Visual Arts Education budget.
- Build and maintain partnerships with schools, universities, and community organizations to enhance the Visual Arts Education program's visibility and participation.

Qualifications:

- Master's degree, or equivalent professional experience, in visual arts, arts education, arts administration or a related field.
- 3-5 years in a leadership role in a community-based organization, arts center, museum or other arts organization, including budgeting, financial management, record management, and ability to lead a team of teaching artists.
- Experience teaching, including knowledge and experience with a diverse range of art forms and media. Preferred experience with curriculum design for a non-academic learning environment.
- Strong time management skills and ability to manage complex logistics.

Applicants should submit the following materials by March 10, 2026:

1. Cover letter expressing interest in the position, relevant experience, and teaching philosophy
2. Resume
3. Three professional references with contact information

Send all materials or inquiries to: Ben@lawrenceartscenter.org

About the Lawrence Arts Center:

The mission of the Lawrence Arts Center is to create meaningful arts experiences with and for the community through education, exhibitions and performances. We envision a community that embraces arts as a part of everyone's daily life. With "art is for everyone" as our core value, the Lawrence Arts Center is committed to creating a welcoming environment for all to explore the arts. We believe a community that includes a broad range of ways to understand and engage with the world produces an environment to discover, learn and create. Our team demonstrates collaboration, transparent communication, creativity, optimistic energy, and the ability to problem solve.

The Visual Arts Education Program utilizes ceramics, jewelry, drawing, painting, digital media, printmaking and darkroom photography studios for programming. In addition to the visual art studios, the Lawrence Arts Center houses three galleries, performing arts theaters, dance studios, and an arts-based Early Childhood Education program.