



STUDIO VOLUNTEER

DESCRIPTION

Join In-Definite Arts for a fun and creative volunteer experience, assisting and supporting artists with disabilities to reach weekly art goals. You'll enjoy meaningful interactions with member artists by providing encouragement, inspiration and friendship in the classroom.

- **WHO YOU ARE** – You are a good listener with lots of patience. You enjoy working with adults with disabilities and can intuitively identify people's interests and connect them with the resources and tools to help achieve their passions and goals.
- **A POSITION YOU'LL LOVE** – You have an artistic background (preferred) and are excited about helping people with disabilities to explore their own creativity. You are comfortable leading or just 'hanging out', and can produce meaningful experiences from creative environments.
- **VALUES WE SHARE** – You believe in empowering adults with disabilities to express their identity and uniqueness through art, and you help staff identify creative ways to make that happen. You are an advocate for In-Definite Arts, sharing your experiences with friends and colleagues out in the community.

COMMITMENT

Volunteers must be available a minimum of 2.5 hours per day, one time per week during studio hours, from either 9:45 am to 12:15 pm, or 12:45 pm to 3:15 pm. Volunteer positions in the art studio are limited and may not always be available.

RESPONSIBLE TO: Team Leader

Volunteers may take day-to-day direction from Studio Instructors; however, specific service or agency-related concerns should only be discussed with the IDAS Team Leader. The IDAS Team Leader will provide orientation and ongoing training for all volunteers, including a discussion of Confidentiality and Abuse Protocols.

VOLUNTEER RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Assist in the preparation for studio classes by assembling materials and supplies as needed
- Assist with the daily tasks involved in keeping all studio areas clean, tidy and organized
- Respectfully encourage, motivate and support artists as they discover their talents, develop their skills and work to complete their creative artworks
- Assist staff with seasonal or special projects as directed by the Team Leader
- Assist in the clean-up of studio areas

IN ADDITION TO THE RESPONSIBILITIES ABOVE, PLEASE OBSERVE THE FOLLOWING TIPS:

- Deal with all artists, supports and staff members equally and professionally; be mindful about what's age-appropriate for adults with disabilities, and try to empower personal choice & direction
- Work cooperatively with the IDAS Team Leader and Studio Instructors; ask questions and problem solve studio concerns as they arise
- Maintain a professional decorum with artists, staffs and supports without being distant
- Please no cell phone (or texting) use in the art studio area during studio time