

Do you love to make: Music? Drama? Visual Arts? Dance?  
Want to share your creativity with kids?  
Want to inspire kids to work together and build a peaceful community?  
Want job skills that are in high demand,  
while doing the things you love?  
Want an opportunity to land a fun summer job?

**BECOME AN APPRENTICE  
WITH KIDS CREATIVE!**



Kids Creative is looking for high school students with a passion for the arts, an aspiration to promote peace, interest in youth development and a desire to learn to take part in our 8 week Apprentice Program. Apprentices will receive training and first hand experience in using Kids Creative's methods to community building through collaborative creation. They will also receive a stipend of \$260 as well as highly valuable job skills. Qualified Apprentices will be eligible for an opportunity to work as a paid intern at our summer camp.

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# Kids Creative Apprenticeship Program

## **KIDS CREATIVE APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM**

Kids Creative is looking for high school Juniors and Seniors with a passion for the arts, an aspiration to promote peace, interest in youth development and a desire to learn to take part in our Apprentice Program. Apprentices will receive training and first hand experience in using Kids Creative's methods of community building through collaborative creation. They will receive a stipend of \$280 as well as highly valuable job skills. Qualified Apprentices will be eligible for an opportunity to work as a paid intern at our summer camp.

## **OUR 8-WEEK TRAINING PROCESS**

### Saturday Trainings

Every Saturday, you will receive training led by our Director of Education and Apprentice/Intern Coordinator in topics covering:

- The basics of creating safe and peaceful environments for children
- Working with children in a summer camp setting
- Community building, problem solving, and conflict resolution
- Kids Creative's Summer Safety Plan
- The basics of working in a Kids Creative classroom
- Using Kid's Creative's Rock 'n Roll Curriculum to create a musical play and promote community

### Hands-On, On-Site Learning

Each of our apprentices will also be assigned to work with a Teaching Mentor, one of our veteran teachers, during an after-school class once a week. They will get first hand experience working in our program, get a chance to utilize the skills they are learning in their trainings and receive mentoring by one of our master teachers.

### Training Timetable

*Monday-Friday, March 30<sup>th</sup>- April 3<sup>rd</sup> (one day this week) from 3:00-6:00PM*

School Tours and Observation Week

- Apprentices take a tour of the school & observe their Teaching Mentor's class one day this week.

*Saturday, April 4<sup>th</sup>*

### Program Orientation

- All apprentices will engage in a program orientation

*Monday-Friday, (one day each week) April 20<sup>th</sup>- June 5<sup>th</sup> from 3:00-6:00PM*

### Hands-On, On-Site Learning

- Apprentices engage in hands-on learning in their Mentor Teacher's classroom once a week.

*Saturdays, April 25<sup>th</sup>- June 6<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM*

### Saturday Trainings

- All apprentices will engage in Kids Creative's Rock & Roll Theater Teacher Training which will involve working with fellow apprentices to make your own musical play using Kids Creative's teaching approach.

*Monday-Saturday, June 8<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup>*

### Wrap Up Week

- Apprentices make up any time that they were missed
- Qualified apprentices will be invited to interview for paid summer internships

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## REQUIREMENTS

### Personal Qualities

Apprentices must have the following personal qualities:

- ✓ Be at least 16 years of age by July 2008
- ✓ Have experience with supervising children & enjoy working with them
- ✓ Have interest and experience in one or more forms of art and a love for the creative arts overall
- ✓ Be responsible and self motivated
- ✓ Display all of the qualities that we seek to instill within our students, such as confidence, creativity, an ability to resolve conflicts peacefully and a love for art.
- ✓ Be able to improvise creative solutions in reaction to new developments or new information on the spot
- ✓ Be confident expressing themselves creatively in front of children and can inspire children with their constant creativity
- ✓ Be excellent team players
- ✓ Know how to be silly, have fun with children, & not take themselves too seriously

### Commitment

Apprentices must be able to commit to fulfilling the following requirements

- Must work with a Kids Creative Mentor Teacher during one of their after-school classes once a week for 8 weeks
- Must complete eight 6 hour Saturday training sessions
- Must be open-minded and respectful of their peers, mentors and instructors
- Must be a role model for the students at their site

## HOW TO APPLY

### To Apply

- ✓ Fill out our application form
- ✓ Have a teacher, counselor, supervisor or former employer fill out our Recommendation Form

### Submitting Applications and Recommendation Forms

- e-mail to: Sarah Pidgeon at [sarah.pidgeon@kidscreative.org](mailto:sarah.pidgeon@kidscreative.org)  
**OR**
- mail to: Kids Creative  
25 Washington Street, Suite #411  
Brooklyn NY 11201  
**OR**
- fax to: Sarah Pidgeon at (347) 487-3914

### Application Time Table

- Applications Due: March 16<sup>th</sup>
- Acceptance Notification: March 20<sup>th</sup>
- Program Enrollment Paperwork Due: March 30<sup>th</sup>

For more information please visit our website at [kidscreative.org](http://kidscreative.org)

**Questions?** Please contact our Apprentice and Intern Coordinator, Sarah Pidgeon at [sarah.pidgeon@kidscreative.org](mailto:sarah.pidgeon@kidscreative.org)

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## **ABOUT KIDS CREATIVE**

Kids Creative's mission is to provide arts education programs in which children collaborate to create original works of art based on their own ideas. Our programs are designed to foster our 6 C's of peacemaking in youth: Confidence, Creativity, Conflict Resolution, Community, Collaboration and Cookies (our "C" word to represent a fun experience). Our child centered, collaborative approach to arts education helps children realize their own individual creative potential and the power of a peaceful community working together to achieve common goals.

Kids Creative promotes peacemaking skills and values in a uniquely fun and engaging way. We offer unique programming that empowers youth to use their own ideas to create original artistic productions. This encourages creativity, bolsters confidence and allows them to take ownership over the process, providing intrinsic motivation for engagement in the collaborative process.

Working with our highly qualified teaching artists, our students find or create common threads that bind all of their ideas together, and turn their shared vision into a group project. Their experience working together to reach a common goal serves as the basis for community building.

**Kids Creative Apprenticeship Program Application**

1) Name:

2) Address:

3) Email:

4) Phone #:

5) How old will you be in July of 2008?

6) Please rate your level of interest in the following areas by placing an X in the appropriate box:

	<i>Love It</i>	<i>Like It</i>	<i>Don't Like It</i>
<i>Working with Children</i>			
<i>Creative Writing</i>			
<i>Acting</i>			
<i>Music</i>			
<i>Dance</i>			
<i>Visual Art</i>			

7) List and briefly describe any significant experience you have supervising and/or working with children.

Education or Training:	Brief Description:

8) What days are you available for hands-on on-site learning at one of our after-school programs in Manhattan from 3PM-6PM?

Mondays       Tuesdays       Wednesdays       Thursdays       Fridays

9) Place an X next to the locations that would be the most convenient for you to get to after school

<i>Location</i>	<i>Subway</i>	<i>X</i>
<i>MSC: 154 West 93 Street Manhattan, NY 10025</i>	<i>1, 2, 3, B or C train to 96<sup>th</sup> St.</i>	
<i>PS 191: 210 West 61 Street Manhattan, NY 10023</i>	<i>1, A,C,B, or D train to Columbus Circle</i>	
<i>PS 145: 150 West 105 Street Manhattan, NY 10025</i>	<i>1, B or C train to 103<sup>rd</sup> St.</i>	
<i>PS 87: 160 West 78 Street Manhattan, NY 10024</i>	<i>1 train to 79<sup>th</sup> St. or B or C train to 81<sup>st</sup> St.</i>	
<i>PS 102: 315 East 113 Street Manhattan, NY 10029</i>	<i>6 train to 110<sup>th</sup> St.</i>	

10) Are you available to attend training sessions in Brooklyn on Saturdays?      Yes       No

11) Why do you want to be an apprentice with Kids Creative?

12) Why do you think you are a good candidate for this program?

13) Will you be available for an internship with us at our summer camp?      Yes       No

14) How did you find out about Kids Creative?

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## Apprenticeship/Internship Recommendation or Reference Form

**Applicant's Name:**

**Name and Contact Information of Reference Person Giving Recommendation:**

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Phone:**

**Reference  
Position:**

**How do you know the applicant? For how long? In what capacity?**

Please rate these statements on a scale of 1-3 based on how accurately they describe this candidate.

1 = This statement does not describe this candidate at all.

2 = This statement somewhat describes this candidate.

3 = This definitely describes this candidate

? = I don't know

This candidate is highly responsible.	
This candidate is highly self-motivated.	
I would trust this candidate to supervise children.	
This candidate is confident.	
This candidate is creative.	
This candidate is a good problem solver	
This candidate can resolve disagreements peacefully	
This candidate is a good communicator	

This candidate is a good leader	
This candidate a good team player	

Would you Hire/Rehire this applicant? YES\_\_ NO\_\_N/A\_\_ If no, for what reason?

Are there any problems that might interfere with this applicant's ability to work effectively with children?

List three keywords you would use to describe the candidate:

In what area does the candidate most need further development?

Any additional comments?

TO SUBMIT THIS RECOMMENDATION FORM:  
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