

**INNER-CITY ARTS - JOB ANNOUNCEMENT**  
**DANCE INSTRUCTOR**  
**Position Available**

**Inner-City Arts** is dedicated to bringing the best of creative experiences to the thousands of children who live in the downtown area, and attend public schools in Los Angeles Unified School District. Working with LAUSD and community partners, we offer comprehensive arts and language programs during the instructional school day and after school, with classes in visual art, ceramics, dance, music, drama, and animation to over 8,000 children from 55 area elementary, middle and high schools.

Inner-City Arts is seeking an experienced, energetic and talented Teaching Artist to teach seven week dance sessions for elementary and middle school students, grades K – 8 (each meeting twice weekly). We are looking for a skillful artist who works from the special resources of his or her own art form in unique and positive ways, and who is able to tailor his or her teaching skills to meet the needs of children who attend downtown public elementary schools.

The Dance program at Inner-City Arts introduces dance as a communicative and expressive medium uniquely effective in the conveyance of meaning, emotion, and cultural values. Students learn how to communicate through movement, by exploring, improvising, and experimenting. Through each specialization in dance, children create from their imaginations, from traditional forms, and as a vehicle for expressing their own stories. It is a program that recognizes dance as an art and encourages students to take chances and to find their own voices as individual artists.

**The Dance Instructor** at Inner-City Arts has overall responsibility for teaching of his/her dance curriculum. Specific job responsibilities include:

- Designing and implementing a program that teaches one or more of the following: creative dance, hip hop, modern, choreography, Folklorico, African, dance integrated with language arts, poetry and/or other subject areas, and other dance techniques.
- Ability to collaborate with students and lead them in creation of original works.
- Developing, writing and updating lesson plans and curricula outlines for that art form. Ability to revise plans based on the creativity of the students.
- Participating in staff training and attending staff meetings

**QUALIFICATIONS:**

- BFA or advanced degree in Dance, or related art form.
- Experience in teaching and/or knowledge of dance content.
- Professional experience and practice in the field: Prior teaching experience with ages 5-16 years, and knowledge of public school goals, vision and current teaching methodologies.
- Knowledge and/or experience working with English Learners.
- Must have the ability to design curricula appropriate for different age groups of children.
- Ability to differentiate instruction for diverse populations.
- Knowledge and/or experience teaching in a child-centered education context.
- Exhibit patience and sensitivity and enjoy working with children.
- Interest in integration strategies and curricular connections a plus.
- Bilingual in English/Spanish a plus.
- Knowledge of State of California Content Standards for Visual and Performing Arts a plus.

**LOCATION:**

The Mark Taper Center/Inner-City Arts is located in downtown Los Angeles adjacent to the Produce Mart and Skid Row.

**WORK SCHEDULE:** **Independent contractor**, as determined by availability and schedule of teaching terms. Opportunities in special projects and weekend programs are also available.

**SALARY:** Commensurate with education and experience, and employment status.

**TO APPLY:** Fax/send/e-mail resume with cover letter to: Susie Goliti, Director of Administration, Inner-City Arts, 720 Kohler St., Los Angeles, CA 90021, FAX: 213-627-6469, susie@inner-cityarts.org. **NO CALLS PLEASE.**