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Justice, Art & Youth in Action Initiative

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Youth Art Connection (YAC) is looking for three dynamic artists, activists, and/or community leaders for a 6-month contract. The positions available include Communications and Promotions Coordinator, Community Facilitator, and Events and Logistics Coordinator. The team will work collaboratively with YAC and a committee of community partners to engage Nova Scotians in creating a 3-year action plan for the Justice, Art and Youth In Action Initiative.

Team members will be expected to work 14 hours a week from mid December - mid May 2017. Team members will work collaboratively with each other, community members and partners, and independently. Team members will be responsible for directing the progress and direction of Justice, Art & Youth with support from various partners and champions, as well as tracking and reporting the project's development to YAC. Team members will report to YAC Co-founder Ryan Veltmeyer.

The Justice, Art & Youth in Action Initiative is a collaborative project lead by the Michaëlle Jean Foundation (www.fmjf.ca), The Art Gallery of Nova Scotia (artgalleryofnovascotia.ca), and Youth Art Connection (youthartconnection.ca). The project aims to address justice issues, including the legacy of the Indian Residential Schools, the over-representation of African Nova Scotians in the criminal justice system, intimate partner violence, and the violence LGBTQ youth face.

The project will engage as many Nova Scotians from different backgrounds as possible in the process of designing a 3-year action plan aimed at implementing support for youth artists to make art about justice in their communities and lives in order to mobilize communities to take action on justice issues. This will be accomplished by partnering with communities, organizations and local events, and by an online campaign launching in January 2017.

Check out more details about the project at <http://youthartconnection.ca/justice/>

Communications and Promotions Officer

Key Responsibilities:

- Write and edit content for all written communications for project
- Write media releases
- Be responsible for social media strategy and implementation
- Update website and blog
- Make and spread short promotional videos throughout network
- Creation of engaging presentations for speaking/promotional events
- Other duties as required



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Qualifications:

- Ability to work both collaboratively and independently
- Experience working in a communications position
- Proficiency in Microsoft Word and using the Internet.
- Knowledge of and experience with justice issues, including the legacy of the Indian Residential Schools, the over-representation of Indigenous and African Canadian youth in the criminal justice system, intimate partner violence, and the violence LGBTQ youth face
- Flexible schedule and ability to travel provincially
- Previous experience working in community-oriented environments
- A background in arts, activism/social justice, and/or community engagement
- Ability to present information in a variety of different formats (presentations/ elevator pitches/emails/etc.)
- Keen attention to detail
- Excellent communication skills, both verbal and written
- Familiarity with communications software (SimplyCast) is considered an asset
- Fluency in French considered an asset

Engagement & Facilitation Coordinator

Key Responsibilities:

- Co-facilitate/MC at forums
- Co-facilitate/MC at core committee meetings
- Speak/present at meetings, events, for media, etc. as opportunities present
- Seek out new opportunities to promote Justice, Art & Youth, as well as collect relevant information that will inform the project
- Co-design grassroots engagement activities & forums
- Other duties as required

Qualifications:

- Ability to work both collaboratively and independently
- Experience facilitating/hosting community events, especially with a justice/anti-oppression focus
- Proficiency in Microsoft Word and Outlook and using the Internet.
- Knowledge of and experience with justice issues, including the legacy of the Indian Residential Schools, the over-representation of Indigenous and African Canadian youth in the criminal justice system, intimate partner violence, and the violence LGBTQ youth face
- Flexible schedule and ability to travel provincially
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Events and Logistics Coordinator

Key Responsibilities:

- Lead all logistical elements of project
- Print materials and resources for distribution
- Purchasing and maintaining supplies for engagement events
- Organize/scheduling meetings
- Book spaces for forums, meetings, etc
- Organizing sound, lights, food, and all other event-related tasks
- Volunteer management and recruitment
- Other duties as required

Qualifications:

- Ability to work both collaboratively and independently
- Experience coordinating and managing events and logistics
- Proficiency in Microsoft Word and using the Internet.
- Knowledge of and experience with justice issues, including the legacy of the Indian Residential Schools, the over-representation of Indigenous and African Canadian youth in the criminal justice system, intimate partner violence, and the violence LGBTQ youth face
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Applications must be submitted via email to info@youthartconnection.ca with the subject line "Justice, Art & Youth Application" no later than December 2, 2016 at 11:59pm AST. Please include a resume and cover letter detailing which position applicants are interested in, relevant qualifications and previous experience. A representative from the YAC will be in touch; however, please note that not all applicants may be invited for an interview. Applicants may be asked for samples of previous work.

Interview Dates: December 6,7,& 8

Project Date: December 12th - May 14th

Compensation: \$15 /hr X 14 hours a week

Thank you for your interest! Youth Art Connection & Justice, Youth Art in Action Initiative

For more information contact Ryan Veltmeyer at ryan@youthartconnection.ca or call 902-579-4673