



Durham **Art** Gallery

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Installation Technician

APPLY BY MAY 15, 2019

One Position Available, \$18.50/hour

Ongoing

Responsible for the fabrication, maintenance, and repair of exhibition space, walls and furniture components throughout Durham Art Gallery as well as the installation and deinstallation of artwork, media and artifacts. This is casual contract work.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS

Meticulous, physically fit, and personable applicant will be handling high-value items for very gallery and public spaces. Hours are flexible, occasionally involving after-hours work and/or travel.

Applicant must possess driver's license with a clean driving record.

- Fabrication of exhibition furniture, including custom artifact mounts, exhibit barriers, and plinths. Installs artifacts and artwork in exhibits in conjunction with fabricated exhibit components.
- Embraces creative problem solving and has the ability and skills necessary to execute solutions.
- Safely uses a wide variety of equipment including shop tools, hand tools, power tools, and specialized lifts. Has own tools to use on site.
- Responsible for the rigging and movement of large artworks.
- Handles and mounts delicate, sensitive and irreplaceable artifacts and artworks.
- Maintains, upgrades, and repairs exhibit components as necessary.
- Assists with installation and deinstallation of all exhibitions including traveling exhibits, aiding in the loading and unloading trucks, placement of exhibit components, and regular rigging, mounting, and problem-solving duties.
- Orders and possesses knowledge of best materials and supplies for assigned projects.
- Is self-directed and proactive in identifying projects and tasks to be done. Follows through with appropriate communication and work completion.
- Contributes to the effective management of all problems, issues, and opportunities in terms of installation and deinstallation.
- Reports to Director and works closely with guest artists and curators.
- Acts as a team player and provides expertise within the team and on interdepartmental teams.
- Performs other duties as assigned.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Requires a high school diploma or equivalent experience; 1-3 years' experience working in a museum exhibit is ideal, shop or 5 years' experience in a skilled craft such as carpentry, metal fabrication, or sculpture. Minimum 12th grade math proficiency required. Must possess extensive knowledge of construction techniques and in a wide variety of materials. Must be able to safely and expertly operate shop, hand, and power tools including band saw, table saw, drill press, miter saw, lifts, and other equipment. Must have your own WISB coverage.

SPECIAL SKILLS

The successful candidate will be an enthusiastic but patient, creative problem solver who eagerly volunteers for challenging projects. Applicable experience includes a good working knowledge in a variety of technical fields and ability to learn others. These include general carpentry, finish carpentry, woodworking, machining, basic electrical circuits, finishing techniques, and computers. Sensitivity to handling fragile, irreplaceable museum artifacts and an awareness of surroundings when moving collection items. Extremely strong attention to detail in all manner of work is a must.

Good problem-solving skills. Must be able to work independently on a variety of simultaneous projects. Good organizational and communication skills.

The Durham Art Gallery welcomes diversity in the workplace and encourages applications from all qualified individuals, including visible minorities, women, Indigenous People, and persons with disabilities. In accordance with the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA), The Durham Art Gallery is committed to accommodating applicants with disabilities throughout the hiring process. At any stage of the hiring process, The Durham Art Gallery will work with applicants requesting accommodation.

PLEASE SEND A RESUME TO

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