



2016-2017 Paid Internship with The Beat of Blossoms thebeatofblossoms.com

DESCRIPTION

The Beat of Blossoms seeks a peaceful, creative, and inquisitive artist between the ages of 17 and 21 for a paid internship. The intern will complete a range of tasks, supporting the work of Jamila Zahra Felton, while learning, improving their craft, creating art, and helping others.

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Serve as Studio and Office Assistant | Learn mixed media collage and bookbinding techniques. Create art. Prepare workshop materials and displays. Organize, assemble, and prepare products. Print, copy, cut and fold paper. Take photos of art and products. Other art studio and administrative duties as assigned.
- Serve as Workshop Assistant | Greet participants. Copy participants' photos and collages. Distribute tools and materials. Set up, break down, and clean up. Replenish refreshments. Capture photos and video. Update Instagram and Twitter during event. Other workshop tasks as assigned.
- Serve as Marketing and PR Assistant | Promote the brand, its events, and products via social media and e-newsletters. Capture, edit, and share promotional gifs/videos. Engage with target market by identifying and communicating with prospective and current clients, followers, and partners. Update websites. Prepare materials for publicity and mailings. Other marketing and PR tasks as assigned.
- Serve as Sales Assistant | Sit at The Beat of Blossoms table/booth during markets and exhibits. Greet customers and engage them by promoting the products, events, and brand. Maintain appearance of the table/booth. Process cash and credit card transactions. Pack purchased items. Other sales and customer service tasks as assigned.

COMPENSATION

- Intern will receive a regular stipend. Intern will receive breaks and healthy snacks during shifts.
- Intern will receive assistance updating resume and exploring educational and career opportunities.

DATES

- Paid internship is approximately 12-20 hours per month from November 2016 through June 2017. Exact hours will be negotiated with intern. 2017 dates to be determined.
- November 12 at the [DC Art Book Fair](#) | November 3, 11, 15 | December 3 at [Collage Sessions](#) | December 8, 15

LOCATIONS

- The Beat of Blossoms operates out of a home studio near the Suitland Metro Station on the Green Line. The internship will also occur at spaces in the Washington, DC area, including [The Perch](#) and [ReCreative Spaces](#).

REQUIREMENTS | KNOWLEDGE + SKILLS

- An individual between the ages of 17 and 21 who identifies as woman or transgender. Preference will be given to high school and undergraduate students of African descent.
- Must be an artist. Preference will be given to poets and paper, collage, zine and book artists.
- Solid knowledge of Microsoft Office suite, Google Drive, Adobe Photoshop, and social media.
- Must be organized, detail-oriented, collaborative, self-motivated, and able to work independently.
- Must possess strong creative and design skills with an interest in experimentation and exploration through art.
- Strong verbal and written communications skills.
- Must be peaceful, generous, open-minded, and empathetic. The Beat of Blossoms supports safe spaces.
- Lives in Washington, DC or Prince Georges County, MD. Comfortable traveling by Metrorail/bus and taxi/Uber.

HOW TO APPLY

Email the following to Jamila Zahra Felton at info@thebeatofblossoms.com by 11:59 pm on October 26, 2016.

1. Resume
2. Contact information for 2 professional references (teacher, professor, mentor, supervisor)
3. 2-3 images of your artwork or 2-3 poems
4. Links to your Instagram or Twitter accounts, if applicable, and
5. A writing sample of 300 words or less answering the following three questions:
 - a. What ideas, topics, and/or images do you explore through your art? Why?
 - b. What do you want to learn during this internship?
 - c. How do you hope to contribute to the work and brand of [The Beat of Blossoms](#)?