



Director of Environmental Art

The Schuylkill Center for Environmental Education, a leading environmental education nonprofit in the Philadelphia region, seeks a dynamic director to implement and continue developing its groundbreaking Environmental Art program.

This is a full-time salaried position with vacation, health, dental, and retirement benefits. The position reports to the Executive Director and serves on the leadership team.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Oversee all aspects of creating and implementing a rich environmental arts program in gallery spaces and on the Center's grounds, identifying relevant environmental art engagements and exhibitions, from artist selection through installation.
- Collaborate with staff on marketing and promoting exhibitions while developing and managing programming in support of these exhibitions, including openings, special events, lectures, school programs, artist residencies, and more.
- Coordinate the integration of arts across the Center's programming; develop lectures, workshops, and other public engagements for the Center as well as for other museums, galleries, nonprofits, etc.
- Work closely with the Development Department on fundraising for the art program, including, but not limited to, researching, writing and managing grants; meeting with donors, corporations, and foundations; and more.
- Develop and manage the department's budget.
- Serve as liaison to the Environmental Art Advisory Committee, a committee comprised of art professionals that serves in an advisory capacity.
- Continue advancing a range of innovative art projects, including LandLab, a residency program through which artists explore remediation of environmental issues on the Center's property in collaboration with scientists, staff and other experts.
- Recruit and supervise the department's staff and interns.
- Represent and promote art in key institutional planning efforts like Master and Strategic Plans.
- Represent the department at meetings of the senior staff, staff, and the Board of Trustees.
- Serve as an active presence in the greater arts and environmental communities, seeking out opportunities for partnerships and collaboration, while representing the Center and the program at events, conferences, and meetings.
- Perform other duties as requested by the Executive Director.

Expected Competencies:

- An understanding of visual art, especially environmental art, art history, and exhibition planning.
- Excellent communication skills, including exceptional writing, speaking, and teaching skills.
- Highly skilled in project management.
- Creative and strategic thinking.
- Knowledge of environmental systems and an interest in nature.
- Interest and/or experience in interdisciplinary, place-based cultural projects.
- Grant writing skills and experience in fundraising.

Physical Demands/Work Environment:

The physical demands and work environment characteristics described are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this position. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

While the Director of Environmental Art spends much of their time indoors, there are many outdoor exhibitions and outdoor programs and events. Therefore, the effective employee must be able to:

- Spend up to 2-3 hours outdoors in all weather (heat, cold, rain, snow).
- Hike 1-2 miles on rough terrain.
- Engage in sustained physical activity when mounting some exhibitions.
- Lift up to 50 pounds (size of a small child).
- Have 20:20 vision (with corrective lenses) to provide oversight of art installations.

The employee is also regularly required to stand, walk, and use hands and arms to operate general office equipment (PC, telephone, file cabinets, copier, fax machine, and printer). The noise level in the work environment is usually moderate to low.

Education, Experience, and Qualifications

- A Bachelor's degree in an arts or environmentally related field (a Master's is recommended).
- At least three years' experience in arts management or programming at a museum, gallery, or similar institution.
- Must pass state-mandated background checks.

Compensation: Commensurate with experience.

To Apply: Please email your resume and cover letter (in Word or as a pdf) to Mike Weilbacher, Executive Director, at mike@schuylkillcenter.org.

Deadline: Please apply by the close of business on February 7, 2020.

The Schuylkill Center is an Equal Opportunity employer and values a racially, ethnically, and culturally diverse work community. We strongly encourage applications from people of all backgrounds.