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Director of Education | Battery Dance

Company: Battery Dance
Location: New York, NY
Compensation: \$60,000

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Position Summary:

At an exciting time of expansion and growth, [Battery Dance](#) seeks an extraordinary arts education leader for the position of Director of Education. *Dancing to Connect*, Battery Dance's signature arts education program, provides the opportunity for youth, with or without prior dance experience, to create and perform their own dance works centered on the issues most relevant to them. By providing the tools of choreography to participants, the program allows individuals to learn more about themselves and those they are creating with, while improving leadership, teamwork skills, and confidence in becoming agents of change. The Director of Education will envision the next stage for *Dancing to Connect*, with the goal of deepening and widening impact, and integrating it with Battery Dance's other offerings so that the program serves as an entry point to a sustained experience in the arts and social justice.

Battery Dance envisions a time when the universal expression of dance will ignite a movement across geographic, social and cultural boundaries to improve people's quality of life. Since 1976, the company has impacted over 300,000 public school students, and currently provides dance education for thirteen New York public schools, both in-school and after-school, to K-12 students of all abilities. Concurrently, Battery Dance has launched an innovative teacher-training program in three area colleges, training their dance students in the *Dancing to Connect* methodology, and has expanded its work to senior centers in the city.

Title: Director of Education

Status: Full Time (Hybrid)

Location: New York, NY

Reports to: Executive Director

Responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- Envisions ways and means of integrating education projects with other Battery Dance programs;
- Conceptualizes program enhancements relevant to participants' lives that increase interest in participating;
- Cultivates and secures new and existing school and community partners;
- Develops strategy and partnerships that enable long-term evaluation of participants, while implementing short-term evaluation
- Represents and serves as a spokesperson for Battery Dance at arts-education conferences and to funders;
- Oversees teaching artists and contractors (such as photographer/videographer) and develops roster of potential teaching artists;
- Manages and updates curriculum, program materials, and study guides;
- Coordinates with community partners and schools on project schedules and logistics;
- Liaises with the New York City Department of Education in contracting, invoicing, maintaining vendor status, and in developing new initiatives;
- Promotes and assists staff in marketing of education projects;
- Assists development team in drafting of new arts education proposals;

Qualifications/Skills:

- Bachelor's degree (Master's degree preferred) and at least two years of relevant experience with arts education
- Personal commitment to arts education;
- Ability to prioritize and multi-task in a fast-paced environment;
- Self-starter and able to work independently and across teams;
- Detail-orientated and excellent organization skills;
- Excellent writing and communication skills;
- Experience with project budgeting;
- Ability to troubleshoot and develop solution independently;
- Experience with evaluation tools and methods preferred but not required;
- Understanding of New York City Department of Education's contracts, policies, and programs preferred, but not required.

Salary & Benefits:

- \$60,000 per year salary;
- Health insurance reimbursement;
- 10 days paid vacation, 5 personal days, 5 sick days, and 11 holidays.

To apply for this position: Please submit, in one file, a resume and cover letter detailing your interest in the position and salary expectations to jobs@batterydance.org with subject line "Director of Education"

Due to the volume of applications, only short-listed applicants will be contacted

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