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Shen Wei Dance Arts Internship Opportunity

Company: Shen Wei Dance Arts
Location: New York City, NY

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Description

Shen Wei Dance Arts (SWDA) is an internationally renowned contemporary dance company under the direction of the Chinese-born, American choreographer and visual artist Shen Wei. The interdisciplinary, culture-bridging, movement-based work Shen Wei makes for his company draws on influences as varied as traditional Chinese culture and arts; European surrealism; American high modernism; and the ritual power of ancient drama. He creates dances for the stage with the compositional rigor of a visual artist (typically designing his own sets, costumes and make-up), incorporating vivid colors, striking design and imaginative use of space into theatrical, kinetic paintings. Often staging his dances on a grand scale with a high level of production detail, his works are celebrated for their "gorgeous visual imagery" (The London Times).

The Company is currently seeking college students and graduates, interested in obtaining hands-on experience in non-profit arts administration for winter/spring internships. Our internship program offers an inside look into the day-to-day operations of a multi-faceted, fast paced arts organization.

Interns will have a unique opportunity to be involved in various aspects of the organization, delving into development, marketing and studio and class management, including hands-on involvement in such activities as: the organizing of our annual gala dinner and art and life-style auction in March; the marketing of our performances, classes, and studio space. Our dance studio and office is located on the Upper West Side with easy access to the 1 and C trains. SWDA Interns work closely with the Finance and Studio Manager and the Executive Director, assisting with studio rentals; and assisting with grant reporting.

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Internships are unpaid but can be taken for academic credit. Interns should expect to work 20-24 hours per week from the SWDA office, located at 165 West 86th Street. Typically, scheduling is flexible from M-F, 10am-6pm. When available, free access is offered to SWDA Open Technique Classes for those with a dance background. Access to our studio, when empty, is also provided. Upon invitation, interns will have the opportunity to observe the company in rehearsals.

Requirements

Candidates should be energetic, eager to learn and have a self-starter attitude. Proficiency in Microsoft Word, Excel, and Internet research required. Photoshop, InDesign and Final Cut Pro experience is a plus. Candidates should be detail-oriented and have excellent professional, interpersonal, and organizational skills.

How to Apply

Interested candidates: Please send your resume and cover letter indicating your available start date and area(s) of interest via email to Angie Martinez at angelic@shenweidancearts.org. Please include "SWDA Internship" in the subject line of your email.

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