



Teaching Artists & Guest Artists

Playwrights Project seeks professional **Teaching Artists & Guest Artists** to work in playwriting residencies for youth in K-12 classrooms and transition aged youth & adult participants in Community Programs, focusing on individuals who have experienced trauma (including those impacted by the justice system and foster care). Playwrights Project has provided playwriting programs since 1985, promoting literacy, creativity, and communication skills. Playwrights Project's curriculum will allow you to grow as an artist while helping individuals share their stories and lift their voices.

Teaching Artists lead playwriting residencies and instruct students and writers throughout the course of the residency. When work is available, the position is part-time in San Diego County.

Guest Artists are actors who visit the residencies at key moments to perform cold readings of scripts. Guest Artists are placed on Playwrights Project's Actor Roster, which Teaching Artists consult when selecting actors to bring into their residencies. Work availability varies dependent on residency needs and is typically for an hour at a time.

Residencies may take place in-person or online via Zoom/Distance Learning, depending on each school or facility's guidelines and preferences considering COVID-19. When working with in-person programs, artists must abide by Playwrights Project's COVID-19 guidelines by providing the organization with proof of full vaccination against COVID-19.

Knowledge of drama, writing, and theatre are essential. The ideal artist should enjoy working with students and new writers, respect their concerns, and enjoy high-energy learning environments. Previous teaching experience, knowledge of anti-racist and trauma-informed practices are desirable. Humor, compassion, and emotional intelligence are mandatory. Artists should foster a welcoming, equitable, and inclusive environment for individuals of all genders, identities, races, ethnicities, and socioeconomic backgrounds.

Pay is based on role and complexity of assignment, ranging from \$25-\$60 per hour. To apply, send a resume, headshot (required for Guest Artist applicants, optional for Teaching Artist applicants), and cover letter indicating which role you're interested in to Program Manager Nicole Hernandez at nhernandez@playwrightsproject.org.