

Job Posting

Application Deadline: May 5, 2023 or until filled

Contracted Position: Private Event Instructor

Overview of Perennial:

Perennial is a non-profit community workshop in St. Louis, MO that offers educational programming in creative reuse. Perennial's mission is to build a creative culture of sustainability in which discarded items are transformed into cherished resources. Through classes, workshops, and events Perennial empowers adult beginners with the creative skills and resources they need to start their sustainability journey.

Perennial's Creative Programs

Throughout the year, Perennial offers a wide variety of creative classes and events that teach participants to transform salvaged materials into new and unique items for their lives and homes. This specific position assists with contracted events at the Perennial workshop and at off-site locations throughout the region. Examples of the types of programs this position leads includes:

- *Private parties:* parties at Perennial's workshop or other venue where groups of friends, co-workers, and more learn to create small upcycled projects while they celebrate.
- *Partner workshops:* sustainable crafts and activities with off-site partners like libraries, schools, or non-profits.
- *Community events and festivals:* take and go crafts with a larger audience, often outdoors. Examples include the Best of Missouri Market, the South Grand Fall Festival, or Fox Park Community days. Crafts are often child-friendly.

Summary:

Perennial's Private Event Instructor assists Perennial's program participants in the successful completion of reuse projects and makes learning new creative skills fun and rewarding. The Private Event Instructor works with Perennial's Program Director to execute programs from set-up, to instruction, to clean up while maintaining a safe and inclusive learning environment. The Instructor also serves as the 'face' of Perennial by communicating Perennial's mission and activities to community members at workshops and events.

Responsibilities:

- Leading OR assisting instruction for workshops, depending on workshop capacity + needs
- Leading OR assisting set-up for workshops, including transporting tools and materials to and from an off-site location, setting-up tools and materials, and cleaning up after a workshop
- Maintaining an upbeat + encouraging attitude to create a fun and inclusive learning environment

- Providing customer service to program participants and visitors, such as checking folks out, providing an introduction to Perennial, etc.
- Tracking attendance of workshops when needed

Qualifications:

Perennial seeks an energetic, creative, and flexible instructor for this position. Below are an ideal candidate's qualifications. We strongly encourage anyone interested in this position to apply, whether they meet all of these qualifications or just a few.

- 1+ years experience teaching arts-based programs, particularly for adults.
- Valid driver's license and personal vehicle.
- Experience with a range of creative skills and mediums.
- Excellent creative problem solving and critical thinking skills.
- Positive energy + attitude to create a fun environment
- Strong work ethic - willing to dive into projects, learn new things, and adapt to challenges or changes in work environment.
- Passion for sustainability and knowledge of waste reduction practices.
- Great at multitasking and excited to help people succeed!

Work Schedule:

This is a contracted position, and work is based on the needs of Perennial's program calendar. This can be as few as one workshop per month. Ideally, a candidate would have flexibility to work shifts during:

- Weekdays and evenings, typically Tuesday-Friday
- Weekends, typically Saturday

Pay: \$15 per hour + a flat rate of \$20 per workshop to compensate for communication and planning prior to the workshop.

To Apply:

Send cover letter, resume, portfolio link or images, and a list of three references to Sophia Coon at sophia@perennialstl.org