

PARRISH ART MUSEUM

Summer Camp Assistant

Job Title: Summer Camp Assistant

Department: Education

Reports To: Education Programs Manager; Summer Camp Lead Instructors

Status: Seasonal, Part-Time, Non-Exempt (Hourly)

Schedule: Monday–Friday during scheduled summer camp weeks (July–August), plus a pre-camp orientation

Date: June 2026

POSITION SUMMARY

The Summer Camp Assistant supports the Education department and Camp Lead Instructors in the daily facilitation of the Parrish Art Museum’s summer camp program, which engages young people in hands-on exploration of painting, drawing, sculpture, printmaking, and mixed media inspired by the exhibitions on view. This is a seasonal role well suited to a responsible, creative individual who enjoys working with children in an informal, arts-based learning environment. The position prioritizes camper safety, smooth daily operations, and a welcoming experience for campers and their families.

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Support all camp activities with a primary focus on the safety and wellbeing of campers in the classroom, Museum galleries, on the grounds, and during outdoor or off-site activities.
- Assist Lead Instructors with daily setup, supply preparation, cleanup, and attendance tracking.
- Help facilitate art projects, gallery explorations, games, and other camp activities.
- Supervise campers during arrivals, dismissals, snacks, lunch, breaks, and open studio time.
- Manage transitions between activities and help maintain an organized, inviting studio space.
- Communicate regularly with Education staff about supply needs, space requirements, and any camper behavioral or wellbeing concerns.
- Support the end-of-week showcase of camper work for families.
- Perform other related duties as assigned by the Education Programs Manager.

QUALIFICATIONS AND COMPETENCIES

- Must be 18 years or older with a high school diploma or equivalent.
- Experience working with youth, preferably in an arts education, camp, or informal learning setting.
- Friendly, patient, and approachable, with genuine enthusiasm for working with children.
- Strong organizational, time-management, and problem-solving skills.
- Ability to work both independently and collaboratively with staff and campers.
- Clear and courteous communication with children, families, and colleagues.
- Skills or interest in visual art and craft preferred but not required.
- Satisfactory completion of a background check, consistent with applicable New York State law.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS

- Ability to remain active throughout the camp day, including standing, walking, and moving between the studio, galleries, and grounds.
- Ability to lift and carry art supplies and materials up to approximately 25 pounds.
- Comfort working both indoors and outdoors in varying summer conditions.

COMPENSATION

This is a seasonal, non-exempt (hourly) position. The hourly rate is \$20 per hour. This position is not benefits-eligible.

TO APPLY: Please send a resume and cover letter to HR@parrishart.org with Summer Camp Assistant in the subject line.

The position will be open until filled. Due to the high volume of interest, regrettably, we cannot respond to individual applicants. If you are selected as a potential candidate, the Parrish will contact you to schedule an interview. No phone calls, please.

ABOUT THE PARRISH ART MUSEUM

Inspired by the natural setting and historical artistic community of Long Island's East End, the Parrish Art Museum celebrates its legacy through a distinctive contemporary lens and socially conscious global context. The Parrish illuminates the creative process and how art, architecture, and design transform our experiences and our communities, and how we relate to the world. Access to relevant cultural engagement, artistic inspiration, a natural environment, and architectural ingenuity characterizes the Museum experience as a unique destination for the region, the nation, and the world.

The Parrish Art Museum is an Equal Opportunity Employer with a commitment to diversity, equity, access, and inclusion. Individuals of diverse backgrounds are strongly encouraged to apply. The Museum's offices are fully accessible.

Disclaimer: The preceding description is not designed to be a complete list of all duties and responsibilities required of the position.