



Good Shepherd Episcopal School seeks a **Lower School Art Teacher** for the 2022-2023 academic year. The Art Teacher is responsible for teaching, motivating, inspiring, and assessing students in grades K-5. The Art Teacher is knowledgeable about the cognitive and social-emotional development of children this age and possesses a firm understanding of studio art and art history and how to instill a love of both in students. In addition to the duties and responsibilities below, the Art Teacher will be positive, collaborative, innovative, and passionate about teaching and learning.

Responsibilities include developing, implementing, assessing, and supporting a dynamic Lower School Art Program. The Art Teacher will use a variety of methods, materials, and techniques used to teach studio art and art history and will work collaboratively with faculty across the grade levels. Working directly with students, the Art Teacher will assess students' art skills for the purposes of refining classroom activities and providing feedback. The Art Teacher is a subject-specific expert and will be a resource for students and faculty in the areas of art curriculum, pedagogy, and assessment.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Support the mission, philosophy, and core values of the School
- Teach studio art and art history to lower school students as assigned (position may be part-time or full-time)
- Collaborate with teachers to design and deliver innovative, challenging and age-appropriate art lessons to students. Share and model best practices in teaching art with colleagues
- Provide feedback to parents about student performance
- Ensure proper supervision for the safety and well-being of all students.
- Attend school events as needed
- Actively seek opportunities for professional development

REQUIREMENTS

- Bachelor's degree in art, art education, or related field
- Experience teaching in a classroom environment teaching lower school art, preferably in an independent school
- A commitment to best practices in education
- Regularly assess student progress; maintain accurate and comprehensive records
- Ability to communicate effectively with students, families, and colleagues
- A clear commitment to diversity, community, and inclusion in school communities
- An ability to work in a collegial and collaborative environment
- A sense of humor, warm personality, and growth mindset

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Candidates interested in pursuing this position should send a cover letter, resume, and reference contact information to Head of School Ken Seward at kseward@gses.org. Please include "LS Art Teacher" in the subject line.



ABOUT GOOD SHEPHERD EPISCOPAL SCHOOL

Our community spirit is strong, as we are bound by a common purpose, which is to inspire our students to achieve academic excellence within a diverse, nurturing community. Our PK-8 program allows our students to build character and foster respect for one another and our shared environment.

Our instruction and program reinforce this common purpose and allow growth through hands-on experiences, especially taking advantage of our location at the intersection of the James River and Forest Hill Park in history-rich Richmond, Virginia. We are proud of the strength of our outdoor programming, the creativity of our curriculum, and our commitment to the individual needs of our students. We are a school where creativity meets community in the heart of Forest Hill, while staying “rooted in community, strengthened by diversity, and inspired by possibility.”