Freelance Education Positions (multiple)
Rhode Island Museum of Science and Art

The Rhode Island Museum of Science and Art (RIMOSA) is recruiting passionate, committed individuals as Freelance Educators to merge art with the traditional STEM disciplines – and vice versa - as well as conducting lessons in the more inquiry-based, hands-on, open-ended manner which studies indicate are more conducive to learning, and to learning enjoyment.

A background in art or science is not required, simply a curious mind is needed. Educators will be trained in RIMOSA programs and teaching techniques. We follow the Student Teacher technique of having new Educators observe, assist, and – when ready - lead existing RIMOSA programs. Educators will gain valuable experience in STEM to STEAM education.

**Philosophy:** Curiosity, creativity and confidence drive the experimentation of both artists and scientists. These are the qualities that need to be encouraged and fostered in ourselves and our children, so that there will be innovators – in art or science or both – in coming generations.

**Workload:** Educators work on a freelance/ Independent Contractor basis. Educators will be offered the opportunity to teach or “second” (observe/assist) programs as they become available. These programs may be a single hour on a specific day, or more regularly scheduled – one or more times a week for four, six, eight or more weeks. Educators accept assignments depending on their own schedules and interests.

Educators might work up to eight hours a week, but generally the workload is closer to one to three hours, one to two days per week. **Hours between 2:30 - 5:30 are particularly in demand.**

**Covid safety:** RIMOSA takes COVID protocols very seriously. No educator is ever required to do in-person programming. Many programs are kit-based distance learning programs, but opportunities are increasing for Educators looking to do in-person programs (all participants fully masked). Let us know your preference!

**Compensation:** Educators are paid $20/program hour for sitting in and observing programs as “seconds” while they are in training. As fully trained “primaries, Educators are paid $40/program hour. Setup/cleanup and driving time (whether for online or in person classes) is not paid.

**Skills & Qualifications:**
- Must have some background, and enjoy, working with youth ages eight to 15
- Must have (or be able to get) a BCI form confirming having passed a criminal background check
- Must be creative, and passionate about the arts and sciences
- Must be responsible, flexible, and able to think on your feet
- Must have access to car to get to in-museum and offsite courses, meetings and outreaches
- Must have access to computer with camera and microphone and clean, quiet space to use for Zoom lessons if you wish to do online classes. (Some loaner computers are available)
- Must be able to lift objects approximately 20 to 30 pounds

Send resume and cover letter to info@rimosa.org