Gadsden Arts Center & Museum

CREATIVE FUTURES COUNCIL

APPLY AUGUST
for real-world experience!

The Creative Futures Council employs high school students and early undergraduate students who are passionate about the arts who earn $15 per hour for participation. As a member of the Gadsden Arts team, you'll gain behind-the-scenes insight into current exhibitions, explore career pathways in the arts, and help design and develop programs that engage and inspire your peers.

For more information, contact:
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Program Description:

Join Gadsden Arts for an exciting opportunity! Twenty high school and undergraduate students from Leon and Gadsden counties will be selected to work with museum staff to learn about the museum, exhibitions, and art careers. Council members will create unique programs and enhance their resumés while learning about careers in the arts. These programs may include podcasts, zines, murals, websites, blogs, or videos. Participants will also create and exhibit personal works of art at the museum!

Program Benefits:

- The Creative Futures Council is a paid contract position at Gadsden Arts ($15/hr)
- Resumé builder (skills like creativity, budgeting, research, art-making, planning, public speaking, and evaluation)
- Learn about museums & careers in the arts
- Learn art from practicing artists and arts professionals
- Opportunity to apply for two summer jobs at the museum

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS & DETAILS

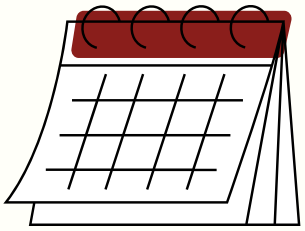
Requirements:

- Students must have an interest in art, music, or the cultural heritage field
- Internet & Zoom access
- Computer/tablet with video/audio capabilities
- Email address
- Availability on Tuesday afternoons (4:00-5:00pm)

Details:

Beginning in October, students will meet with GACM staff on Tuesdays via Zoom. Additionally, there will be Saturday field trips to see exhibitions, experience museums behind the scenes, and explore creative careers. Other program components include hands-on workshops, talks from curators and directors, and more! Once students are familiar with the major exhibition on view at GACM, they will work with staff to draft, budget, and execute their projects.

Applications open August and close in September each school year.



To apply, students must complete the application form and submit it to Kaiyla Thompson, Museum Educator, kaiyla.thompson@gadsdenarts.org.

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CREATIVE FUTURES COUNCIL AGREEMENT

1. **Participation in Meetings**
    a. I agree to have my camera on during meetings for effective communication and engagement.
    b. I agree to actively participate in scheduled Zoom meetings.
2. **Artwork Presentations**
    a. I agree to be prepared to show and tell artwork based on assignments during meetings.
    b. I will share my work when requested and engage in discussion about my process and creative choices.
    c. I will be required to create a piece of art that will be exhibited in the museum and presented via a recorded Zoom session.
    d. I permit GACM to share student likeness and work for any program photos, videos, and exhibitions.
3. **Feedback and Discussion**
    a. I will participate in group discussions, offering insights and critiques to foster growth and collaboration.
4. **Code of Conduct**
    a. I agree to maintain professionalism and respect towards fellow members during meetings.
    b. I will abide by the organization's policies regarding harassment and discrimination.
5. **Termination**
    a. GACM reserves the right to terminate this Agreement and the Member's participation in the Council at any time for violation of these terms.
6. **Acceptance**
    a. By signing below, Member agrees to adhere to the terms outlined in this Agreement.