Name of community agency/organization: Visual Arts Brampton

Description of community agency/organization: As a non-profit organization, Visual Arts Brampton strives to maintain a positive, supportive community that fosters and encourages creativity in artists of all ages and skill levels.

Visual Arts Brampton offers quality programming including unique weekly art classes for teens and children, workshops in a variety of media for adults and weekly drop-in open studio, life and portrait drawing sessions. Throughout the year, Visual Arts Brampton organizes and participates in numerous community events and exhibits at multiple locations across the city.

Position title: Instructor Assistant

What will the student do:

- Assist instructors with teaching visual art techniques and classroom management.
- Greeting participants entering the studio
- Assisting with classroom set up, retrieving supplies/materials for the lesson
- Cleaning the facility (Clean tables, sweep floor, wash materials/tools, put supplies away)
- Distributing supplies/materials
- Maintaining classroom expectations, supervising the classroom and helping students stay on task
- Interacting with and assisting students with the lesson and project
- Providing motivation and encouragement to students
- Help students gather references from online resources/studio library
- Additional duties as assigned

Skills required: A background in visual arts (drawing, painting, etc.) and experience teaching is preferred.

Skills student will learn: Students will:
- Get insight on what it is like to work in visual arts, education and non-profit business related fields
- Gain valuable hands-on work experience to add to their resume
- Stay inspired and creative in their own artistic pursuits
- Increase their self-confidence, self-esteem and motivation
- Be involved and connect with the community

**Length of time required:** Two to 2 ½ hours each week

**What is the registration deadline for volunteer positions?** Positions are offered on an ongoing basis, year-round.

**Location:** 1 Bartley Bull Parkway, Brampton, L6W 3T2. Inside the Food Basics Plaza on the corner of Steeles Avenue and Main Street, next to the dental office.

**How students can get involved/How to apply:** Applications can be completed on our website: https://www.visualartsbrampton.com/contribute/volunteer

**Contact person:** Studio Manager / info@visualartsbrampton.com / 905-453-9142

*The Peel board has reviewed this volunteer posting to make sure it meets the criteria for the community involvement requirement. However, this posting is provided as a service to students, it is not intended to be an endorsement by the Peel District School Board of any specific organization or program.*