Call for Theatrical Design Mentor - Johnson County Arts & Heritage Center Residency
Submission Deadline noon – July 31, 2017

The Arts Council of Johnson County and Theatre in the Park are accepting applications for a Visual Artist Mentor to work with Playwright in Residence at the Johnson County Arts & Heritage Center.

Playwright in Residence
Designed to provide an opportunity for the participating artist to create new work, the resident artist will also work with middle school students to develop an original musical. Focusing on an issue decided upon by and important to participating students the original play will debut at the Arts & Heritage Center in October 2017. Moreover, the residency will include collaboration with two additional artist mentors: a theatrical design mentor to work with 10 middle school students to visualize the musical and a musical theatre composition mentor to help 10 other students develop three original songs for the musical. The resident artist, theatrical design mentor and musical theatre composition mentor will receive a stipend and workspace.

Benefits
• Workspace in new Johnson County Arts & Heritage Center
• $2,000 stipend
• Premier of new work

Responsibilities & Requirements
• Coordinate the selection process for student participants
• Facilitate the development and creation of scenery for a new musical in collaboration with 7th and 8th grade students
• Collaborate with playwright in residence and musical theatre composition mentor
• Work 20 hrs a week
• Weeks of mentorship required
• Weeks of rehearsal required
• Staged reading required
• Artist in Residence, Visual Artist and Musical Theatre Composition mentors must submit to background checks per ACJC and TTIP policy
• Scenic Design and Teaching experience is beneficial
• Participate in media events with ACJC, TTIP, and AHC staff/board members
• Must provide own housing and transportation

Submission Materials
To apply drop off materials at the Johnson County Arts & Heritage Center, 8788 Metcalf, Overland Park, 66212 or by email to sarah@artsjoco.org, include Arts & Heritage Center Residency in the email subject line.
• An Artist Statement
• Letter of intent
• CV
• 3 – 5 work samples
• 3 recommendations

Selection Process - Interviews will take place on August 3 and August 4, 2017
• A panel including the Artist Residency committee, Theatre in the Park, Arts Council of Johnson County and Arts & Heritage Center staff will review the materials
• A short list of candidates will be selected then notified of interview dates/times
• After in-person interviews are conducted the panel will select and announce the new playwright in residence
• Program runs Sept 9 – Oct 28, 2017