



Summer Theatre Education Intern

The Des Moines Community Playhouse is a nationally recognized organization seeking five college students to work as paid interns in our summer education program. Qualified individuals will work alongside seasoned education and theatre professionals in a dynamic, fast-paced, and collaborative environment, while fostering creativity and an enthusiasm for theatre.

Intern Job Responsibilities:

- Assist teaching artists with classroom instruction, including creative drama, performance, devised, musical theatre, and event camps
- Supervise students in extended care, class, during breaks, and lunch
- Assist with American Association of Community Theatre's AACTFest and YouthFest, hosted by The Playhouse and Hoyt Sherman Place (may require optional weekend hours)
- Assist with administrative duties as needed
- Ensure a safe, welcoming environment for students from diverse racial, ethnic, economic, and LGBTQIA+ backgrounds
- Other duties as assigned

Work Hours & Benefits:

- 40-hour work week, Monday through Friday, between the hours of 7:15 AM-5:30 PM. Schedules vary from week to week based on class coverage needs and extended care
- Program dates are May 19 -August 11, 2025. No work on May 26 and July 4, 2025 due to holidays
- Complimentary tickets to summer show, *Waitress*
- Gain valuable, hands-on experience working with children from experienced teaching artists
- Hourly pay of \$12 per hour, overtime paid for weeks exceeding 40 hours

Intern Qualifications / Skills:

- Enrolled in a theatre, music, education, or other arts related undergraduate program (Junior/Senior preferred)
- Interest in theatre education or theatre for young audiences and/or prior theatre education experience
- Previous experience working with youths ages 5-18 in a camp or classroom setting preferred
- Strong leadership, organizational, collaborative, and interpersonal skills
- Ability to multitask and maintain professional demeanor
- Ability to exercise judgement and discretion in matters related to classroom management
- Performing arts experience, either onstage or in a technical/design capacity

Students (no parent calls or emails, please) who wish to apply should send a resume to Robin Spahr at rspahr@dmplayhouse.com which includes:

- Academic background
- Work experience (particularly with children), along with related skills and interests
- Reason for interest in The Playhouse intern program
- School and permanent address (home and email) and phone number

Application deadline: February 1, 2025

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