

Dance Instructor/Choreographer

Organizational Summary

The Arvada Center for the Arts & Humanities celebrates and elevates the human condition with engaging arts, humanities, education, and entertainment that expand the cultural landscape for everyone. The Arvada Center strives to create and maintain an inclusive and welcoming environment for all artists, actors, staff, volunteers, and patrons.

Position Summary

Reporting to the Dance Program Manager, this hourly position teaches beginning through advanced dance classes that may include ballet, modern, tap or hip-hop using a syllabus for students ages 6-18, potentially. This instructor may have the opportunity to choreograph on the performing company for the fall and spring concerts. Company choreography could include story ballets, jazz, hip-hop or modern.

Responsibilities

- Choreograph class dances for the spring recitals
- Arrive prior to class time
- Attend and participate in all required meetings
- Attend professional development trainings regarding childhood physical and emotional development, new dance medicine research and its application to teaching children as needed
- Communicate with Dance Coordinator on ongoing basis
- Submit required concert information to the Dance Coordinator; including program notes, music and tech notes, in timely manner
- Other reasonable duties as assigned

Skills and Competencies

- Experience teaching young children and adults with knowledge of injury prevention and age appropriate presentation of the material
- Ability to teach the material on the syllabus and give useful corrections on alignment and execution
- Have the ability to communicate positively with the students and parents
- Willingness to apply new dance medicine information to classroom teaching
- Ability to collaborate and work with fellow dance instructors on show themes and/or story ballets
- Ability to demonstrate and correct students, move ballet barres as needed
- Move light sets and props
- Ability to stand for two hours, either in class or while working backstage for dance concerts
- Must possess several years teaching experience, have a solid foundation of dance training
- Applicants should be reliable, flexible, and enthusiastic about teaching dance to children and teens
- Basic knowledge of kinesiology a plus
- A background check is required

**Compensation**

This is a part-time, nonexempt position earning \$24- \$32 per hour and is eligible for paid sick leave.

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Note: This job description is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all duties, responsibilities, or qualifications associated with the job.

Application Instructions

Send an email with resume and cover letter as PDF to jobs@arvadacenter.org with the job title in the subject line.

Applications accepted until August 22, 2025