The Art Effect empowers youth to develop their artistic voice to shape their futures and bring about positive social change. We help youth in the Hudson Valley explore, experience, and excel in the arts, introducing them to visual arts and media, giving them the opportunity to develop real skills in these fields, and guiding them towards achieving their academic and career goals.

The Art Institute is The Art Effect’s signature portfolio development program serving ages 5-19. The Art Institute inspires and motivates students, preparing them for successful careers and acquiring merit-based scholarships to the nation’s best art schools.

Art Institute Teaching Artist duties include but are not limited to:

- Collaborate with the Director of Programs to develop a cohesive age-appropriate curriculum;
- Plan and conduct coursework for a balance of instruction, demonstration, and practice that provides students with opportunities to observe, investigate, and practice skills;
- Teach lessons using a variety of equipment, tools, principals, materials, and techniques;
- Supervise and successfully manage students to move through multi-step arts projects;
- Engage with students and use appropriate strategies to encourage positive interactions;
- Oversee completion and the timely submission of all program documents related to this position, including but not limited to supply requests, course outlines, and time sheets;
- Set up and clean up of classroom studio space, ensuring the proper care of all areas, equipment, and materials;
- Attend all required trainings and promptly respond to direct communications and meeting scheduling requests;
- Initiate and facilitate the regular documentation of student work and classroom activities;
- Other tasks as needed.

Course Options (with short descriptions) for Spring 2024:

- Adventures in Craft (Ages 5-8)
  - Students explore the wonders of art making through experimentation in sculpture, puppet making, collage and more!
- Adventures in Painting (Ages 5-8)
  - Students explore the joy of painting while gaining confidence to make paintings of things from observation and imagination!
- Exploring Painting (Ages 8-11)
  - Take your love for painting to the next level in this introductory painting course! Students will learn to make complete paintings using new skills in color theory, and observational painting skills.
- Exploring Materials (Ages 8-11)
  - Explore the wonderful world of sculpture, painting and drawing!
- Exploring Stop-Motion Animation (Ages 8-11)
  - Take your original 3D creatures and bring them to life! Learn to make movable
sculptures and animate them!

● Realistic Drawing (Ages 11-14)
  ○ Students will go beyond the basics to create a series of drawings from observation. In this course students will learn to apply value, texture, light and color theory to enhance their artistic understanding of drawing objects realistically.

● Experimental Sculpture (Ages 11-14)
  ○ Learn to make sculpture using different materials including clay, cardboard, and wire!

● Thinking in Color (Ages 11-14)
  ○ Take your painting skills up a notch in this painting class focused on to power of color theory!

● Digital Illustration and Animation (Ages 11-14)
  ○ Create digital stories and characters and bring them to life in this comic and animation course!

● Plein Air (Ages 14-19)
  ○ Take your art outside! Students will learn to make interesting observational, landscape artworks while gaining knowledge of proportions and color theory!

● Contemporary Human Figure (Ages 14-19)
  ○ Learn to crop and compose original and compelling figure paintings and drawings in this advanced live model course!

● Digital Character and World building (Ages 14-19)
  ○ Create a portfolio of impressive and original digital characters and the worlds they live in while enhancing your drawing and digital media skills!

● Narrative Illustration (Ages 14-19)
  ○ Students create a portfolio of visual stories while learning illustrative watercolor, ink, gouache and graphite techniques!

An ideal candidate will have:

● BFA in the visual arts, arts education, or a related field
● Experience in working with youth and/or teaching
● High energy and be able to inspire excitement in others

Candidates specializing in these disciplines are especially welcome:

● Drawing
● Painting
● Sculpture
● Illustration/Digital Illustration
● Animation

Compensation: the starting rate for new teachers is $25-$35/hr and will be negotiated upon final hire with consideration to years of experience, degrees earned, etc.

To Apply: Please send a cover letter (specifying which Spring Course you’re interested in teaching), résumé and 5-10 work samples to Hannarose@thearteffect.org