

AGNES ETHERINGTON ART CENTRE AT QUEEN'S

Position title: Student Docent

Supervisor: Shannon Brown, Program Coordinator; Charlotte Gagnier, Program Assistant

Description: Student Docents deliver educational school programs for students in grades 1–8 and support Agnes studio programming. Please note, all fall 2020 tours, programs and training will be delivered online. The delivery of the winter 2021 program is to be determined.

This fall, student docents will lead grade 1–6 students through a program based on the exhibition [Nocturne](#). The program will embrace the sensory exploration of the night while considering the landscape genre in Historical Canadian Art. Artists' enduring fascination with the hours between sunset and sunrise provide the foundation for curriculum links in poetry, painting and perspective through a guided online tour presentation and activity which can be done at home or in class.

In the winter semester, a new program will feature the exhibitions *Nocturne* and [Drift: Art and Dark Matter](#). From night skies to dark matter, students will consider different ways artists represent ideas and imagination through their artistic creations.

The Student Docent program offers a great opportunity for students to engage with the Kingston and surrounding community, increase their knowledge, work in a team environment and hone all-important presentation skills.

Term of placement: September 2020–March 2021

Time requirements: Student docents attend weekly two-hour training meetings on Friday afternoons from mid-September to mid-March (excepting reading weeks and exam periods). Docents contribute two hours approximately every second week delivering school programs and supporting other Agnes programs, depending on scheduling.

Qualifications: Student docents have a keen interest in visual art and public art galleries, have public speaking skills and are team players. Experience working with children ages 6–13 is an asset, as is the ability to speak French.

Students from all academic backgrounds are encouraged to apply. Students should be in their second year of undergraduate study or above, however, in cases where first year-students demonstrate significant interest and experience, exceptions may be made. Graduate students are welcomed.

Application requirements: Please send a short statement of interest and résumé to charlotte.gagnier@queensu.ca by 4 September 2020. Please contact Charlotte Gagnier with any questions.