



Teen Programs Internship Summer 2026

About ArtsConnection:

For over 45 years ArtsConnection (AC) has been one of New York City's most comprehensive arts education organizations with programs in the performing, visual and media arts. We provide arts education that taps into students' individuality and creativity to help them forge new pathways to navigate their education and future, while building critical thinking, creative problem solving, heightened self-esteem, literacy and strong communicative abilities. Programs are led by 140 racially, ethnically and culturally diverse teaching artists whose distinctive and varied artistic perspectives inspire, guide and support students. Each year, AC partners with NYC public schools (grades pre-K through 12) across the five boroughs, providing artist residencies, professional development for teachers and artists, and family arts events. Out-of-school-time (OST) Teen Programs link the city's cultural resources to the developmental and educational needs of teens, while providing space for artistic expression, experiential learning, career and leadership development. Our work, while rooted in New York City, has been an award-winning and sought-after model on a national scale.

About the Program:

As part of the educational mission of ArtsConnection, we provide comprehensive internships for teens and young adults seeking professional and educational experience in Teen Programs/Youth Development. If you are a teen, undergraduate/graduate student, recent graduate or early career professional, you are welcome to apply for this program. We seek applicants who demonstrate an enthusiastic interest in the arts education field and a desire to learn and grow.

Eligibility:

If you are a teen, undergraduate/graduate student, recent graduate or early career professional, you are welcome to apply for this internship. We seek applicants who demonstrate an enthusiastic interest in the arts, arts education, youth development, and the non-profit field with a desire to learn and grow.

Internship Benefits:

- Receive a stipend of \$1200 per internship to be paid by check or gift card
- Receive an OMNY card to cover travel
- Receive credit (where applicable)
- Participation in ArtsConnection events and workshops
- Access to performances and exhibitions in the city
- Exposure to all departments and staff of the organization
- Attendance at department and full staff meetings
- Build a professional network and valuable references
- Site visits with other arts and education organizations

To Apply:

Please complete [online application](#)

DEADLINE:

Summer 2026: Sunday, June 7

Map Free City Intern

Map Free City (MFC) is a free 4-week program for high school students from all over New York and New Jersey to explore the arts in NYC while expanding critical thinking and writing skills. The Map Free City Intern will collaborate with the Map Free City Program Manager to gain valuable skills, knowledge, and hands-on experience in arts education and administration. Duties include, but are not limited to:

- Schedule and assist with orientations for MFC program participants
- Complete administrative tasks in support of the MFC program including but not limited to data entry, copying, and filing
- Assist teaching artists during workshops and field trips to arts events
- Write and edit responses to arts experiences
- Contribute to creating a welcoming and inclusive environment for teen participants, staff and interns

Applicant should be:

- 18 years or older
- Eager to learn about the administrative and teaching practices that support youth development
- Responsible and mature individual who work well independently and in teams
- Be prepared to provide name and contact for one reference if offered an interview
- Added bonus if you attended NYC public school and/or previously participated in an ArtsConnection program

Note about physical demands of position:

- The person in this position will travel weekly across New York City in July heat with a group of up to 20 teens. Please consider your comfortability in this environment when you apply.
- Position requires lifting boxes up to 30 pounds across our offices.

Schedule:

- Dates: June 29 – August 7, 2024
- Format: Hybrid, split between office, virtual, and onsite with the class
- Hours: 20 hours per week (flexible across the internship, but will total 120 hours)
- Weekly schedule: 6 weeks, 4 days per week, must commit to a Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday schedule (with Mondays and Fridays depending on your availability).