



Teaching Writers & Teaching Artists

Blue Planet Writers' Room (www.blueplanetwriters.org) is a Palm Beach County, Florida-based non-profit organization. Our teaching artists and teaching writers use technology to connect groups of South Florida students in story exchanges with their peers in other countries. Students share stories of their lives and homes through the mediums of writing, visual art, drama, dance, photography, puppetry, and other art forms. They learn from their peers about the world outside our borders while teaching others about the United States. In these vibrant workshops, writing and the arts, tools of creativity, also become tools of international collaboration and peace.

Blue Planet is currently accepting résumés from excellent **Teaching Writers & Teaching Artists** for upcoming international collaborations. We're looking for a few special people who have a passion for writing, the arts, and global education; we seek talented professionals filled with enthusiasm, energy, patience, and a sense of humor.

Qualifications:

- Minimum of a bachelor's degree in the relevant discipline; master's degree preferred.
- Experience teaching young people, whether in or out of school hours.
- Familiarity and comfort level with internet-based communication platforms (Skype, WhatsApp, Dropbox, email, and the like).
- Familiarity and comfort level with using smartphones to record and share photos and videos.
- Demonstrated interest in global education and international projects.
- Fingerprinting and background check are required; fees are paid by Blue Planet.

Responsibilities:

- Teaching artists and teaching writers will lead one or more series of 12 weekly, one-hour, in-school or afterschool workshops for students in 3rd grade and up. Some workshops are co-taught by a teaching artist and teaching writer; others are led by a single writer/artist.
- Each 12-week workshop centers on an international collaboration with students at an overseas school or cultural arts organization.
- In collaboration with their international teaching partner, the teaching writer and/or teaching artist will create curriculum, teach workshops, and collect data related to program evaluation.
- Teaching artists/writers will correspond with their international partners via email, Skype, WhatsApp, Dropbox, and/or other programs to plan parallel activities, share student work, and arrange Skype meetings between the students.
- Teaching Writers and Teaching Artists will be mentored by Blue Planet senior staff regarding curriculum, international activities, the documentation/evaluation process, etc. (In other words, if international collaboration is new to you, training is available.)
- International partnerships are established by Blue Planet staff and are conducted in English.

Compensation:

\$70 per hour-long workshop (includes teaching and planning), plus \$30 per meeting (2-3 per semester).

To apply:

Send your résumé and cover letter to info@blueplanetwriters.org. **Please do not call or apply in person.**

We are accepting résumés by email only. We look forward to hearing from you.

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