

OVERVIEW

Join Young Audiences of Houston this summer as a High School Mentor for our Come and Explore Summer Camp, helping introduce youth across Houston to a unique experience combining dance, music, theatre, and visual/new media arts in an effort to combat summer learning loss in our schools.

Who We Are: Young Audiences of Houston is the largest non-profit organization in Houston serving over 237,800 children each year through arts in education programs at local schools, hospitals, juvenile detention centers and libraries.

What we're looking for: We are seeking enthusiastic rising High School Sophomores through Seniors to join us as High School Mentors this **June** as part of our Come and Explore Summer Camp team. The Come and Explore Summer Camp will provide a creative outlet for students, grades 2 through 5, at local area schools serving underserved youth.

High School Mentors will gain valuable leadership skills and experience in working alongside master teaching artists from Young Audiences of Houston and campus educators from each of the program sites. As a High School Mentor, you will have a direct hand in every aspect of the camp – developing your skills through supporting instruction, leading aspects of small group instruction, managing day to day operations, engaging youth in creative activities, and executing a final culminating event for participating youth, families, and community partners.

In joining the Come and Explore Summer Camp, you will be provided with an opportunity to connect with other students from area high schools, as well as receive recommendations from Young Audiences of Houston upon completion of the program.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

- Completed application (see next page);
- Ability to participate in an active camp as an engaged, focused, reliable, responsive and creative volunteer mentor;
- Interest in mentoring youth;
- Understanding of how the arts and creative opportunities can benefit youth;
- Interest in leading youth in creative activities;
- Ability to work with people of diverse backgrounds;
- A recommendation letter from a faculty sponsor;
- Commit to attending and contributing to 2 planning meetings prior to June 2019;
- Commit to mentoring during 1 or 2 weeks of camp, 6 hours daily, during the June 2019 Come & Explore Summer Camp;
- Reliable transportation to and from camp;
- An exit interview to help Young Audiences of Houston learn from your experience.

PREFERRED EXPERIENCE:

- Experience working with younger kids, including babysitting, as camp counselors, or through previous mentorship opportunities through school or an organization.



CONTACT INFORMATION

Student Information

Name: _____
 Age: _____
 School: _____
 Grade: _____

Parent/Guardian Information

Name: _____
 Email: _____
 Phone (Cell) _____
 Phone (Work): _____

MY CHILD IS UNDER THE AGE OF 18, THEREFORE, I UNDERSTAND AND AGREE TO GIVE PERMISSION FOR MY CHILD TO PARTICIPATE IN THE COME & EXPLORE SUMMER CAMP

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

FACULTY SPONSOR INFORMATION

Name: _____ Title: _____
 School: _____
 Email: _____
 Phone (Cell): _____ Phone (Work): _____

TELL US MORE:

Please respond to the following questions. Feel write on a separate page and attach with your application.
 Check the following **ART** areas of interest:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Visual Arts	<input type="checkbox"/>	Dance
<input type="checkbox"/>	Music	<input type="checkbox"/>	Theater
<input type="checkbox"/>	New Media	<input type="checkbox"/>	Literary Arts
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other: _____		

Check the following **LEADERSHIP** areas of interest:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Lesson Planning/Development	<input type="checkbox"/>	Site Administration
<input type="checkbox"/>	Marketing/Documentation	<input type="checkbox"/>	Teaching/Leading Instruction



	Mentoring		
	Other:		

AVAILABILITY

The camp runs **M-F / 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM** for 2 consecutive weeks. Please check your general availability for the following dates:

	June 3 – 7		June 10 – 14
	June 10 – 14		June 17 – 21
	June 24 – 28		July 1 – July 5

APPLICATION QUESTIONS

1. Please describe what your ideal experience would be like as a volunteer mentor?
(150-word limit)

2. What do you hope to learn/accomplish as a High School Mentor participating in the Come and Explore Summer Camp? (150-word limit)

3. Please provide a letter of recommendation by a faculty sponsor from your school. Include in your submission or have faculty sponsor email director to glenn@yahouston.org with subject line: CAEC Faculty Sponsor Letter for STUDENT NAME.
4. If selected, each High School Mentor will receive a CAEC staff t-shirt (adult mens'). Please indicate your size below:

	XS		S		M
	L		XL		2X

Completed submission should be sent to glenn@yahouston.org and sophia@yahouston.org by 5:00 pm on April 22, 2019. Please include subject line: Come & Explore HSM Application – STUDENT NAME