



Chester County Art Association 2026 Summer Camp Volunteer Program

The **Summer Camp Volunteer Program** at the Chester County Art Association (CCAA) offers an exciting opportunity for young individuals to gain hands-on experience in art instruction while developing leadership and volunteer skills.

Volunteers play a vital role in the summer camp experience by assisting teaching artists, helping with activities, and serving as positive role models for younger students. In return for their volunteer time, interns benefit from:

- **Creative Growth:** Work alongside professional artists across diverse disciplines and mediums.
- **Leadership & Social Development:** Enhance communication, teamwork, and leadership skills.
- **Professional Recognition:** Receive certification and recommendation letters for schools, special programs, and scholarship applications.

Application Process

To apply...

- Submit a **completed application** to J.Hartz, Education Coordinator at the Chester County Art Association in person or via email. Applicants must be at least 15 years old.
- Submit a **short statement** (3-4 sentences) about why you want to volunteer at the Chester County Art Association’s 2026 Art Camp. Feel free to submit this in an email with your application or include it on a separate piece of paper if submitting it in person.

Note: An in person Volunteer Orientation is required of all accepted participants. At the orientation you will be given additional forms to fill out including emergency contact form and more.

**The 2026 Volunteer Orientation will be held at CCAA on Thursday, June 4th from 4:00 PM - 4:45 PM.
Applications are due by May 29th, 2026 and space is limited, so apply early.**

Applications can be:

Emailed to: education@chestercountyarts.org

or Hand delivered to: J.Hartz at the Chester County Art Association, 100 N. Bradford Ave., West Chester, PA 19382

Note: Placement is on a **first-come, first-served basis**, and submitting an application does not guarantee acceptance. Availability is subject to change. Notifications will be sent to applicants on a rolling basis as applications are received and reviewed. If you are accepted you will receive confirmation of your schedule via email.



**Chester County Art Association
 Summer Volunteer Application
 Application Deadline is May 29th, 2026**

Name of Volunteer: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Age of Volunteer: _____

Volunteers must be at least 15 years old. Background clearances required for volunteers over 18 years old.

Please plan to attend the volunteer orientation before camps begin.

Will you be able to attend our required volunteer training at CCAA on Thursday, June 4th, 2026 at 4:00 PM-4:45 PM? YES NO

***Please circle the times and corresponding weeks you are available and want to volunteer at CCAA:**

Camp Week #	2026 Dates			(AM) 9:00-12:00	(PM) 1:00-4:00
1	June 15	thru	June 19	AM	PM
2	June 22	thru	June 26	AM	PM
3	June 29	thru	July 3	AM	PM
4	July 6	thru	July 10	AM	PM
5	July 13	thru	July 17	AM	PM
6	July 20	thru	July 24	AM	PM
7	July 27	thru	July 31	AM	PM
8	August 3	thru	August 7	AM	PM
9	August 10	thru	August 14	AM	PM
10	August 17	thru	August 21	AM	PM

Please only circle weeks and times you are available and want to volunteer.

Does Intern have any allergies or medical conditions the staff needs to be aware of? If so, please explain here:

Specific Interests: _____

We do our best to accommodate as many weeks as you request to help, but appreciate your understanding if we can't fit you in all the times you are available. **Please do not sign up for weeks you are unsure of or aren't available.** We may have turn down volunteers based on our needs and it's unfair to others if you sign up and cancel. Thank you for your understanding.

Below are the guidelines and policies which will be reviewed in greater detail at our volunteer orientation.

Please review and sign the following:

As a teen volunteer,

- o I will be prompt to the camp I am interning for and arrive at least 10 mins before the camp starts.
- o I will come prepared to help with the assigned camp, however needed.
- o I will make sure to call a member of the Staff, should I be running late or unable to come due to an illness or family emergency.
- o I will only sign up for weeks I am available, to give other interns an equal opportunity at their first choice.
- o I will dress appropriately, as if I were going to school; keeping in mind that I am volunteering for children as young as 5 years old.
- o **I will not use my cell phone or other electronic device while in the classroom (and no photographs of campers).**
- o I understand that I am volunteering at an ART based camp, therefore I will only wear clothes that I wouldn't mind getting a little messy, OR wear a smock or T-shirt over it to protect my clothes.
- o I will not speak or use inappropriate language including but not limited to; cursing, conversations that are inappropriate for young children to hear, disrespectful remarks toward staff, instructors, children or other Interns; be sure any confidential information shared with you will be kept confidential.
- o I will report any problems I am having with my instructor, specific children or staff with a member of the Camp Staff (we will discuss in much more detail in training)
- o I will do my best to act polite and courteous to Instructors, students, staff and children's parents. Inappropriate behavior will not be accepted.
- o **I understand I may be removed from the program if I do not follow the above guidelines.**

Volunteer Signature: _____

(By signing this form I acknowledge that my parent(s) and/or guardian and I have read and understood the policies and guidelines included in this application)

Parent Signature: _____

Parent Email: _____

QUESTIONS?

Contact J. Hartz, CCAA Education Coordinator for more information
at (610) 696-5600 (ext.#2), or email
education@chestercountyarts.org