# Youth Education Summer Internship



Do your career goals include working in a museum? Do you enjoy working with children? This Youth Education summer internship may be a step in the right direction. Interns accepted to this program will receive hands-on experience engaging with the museum's younger visitors and their families. You will learn interpretation techniques museums use to create dynamic, relevant experiences for museum visitors.

### **Internship Description**

The MAC is accepting internship applications from college students who are interested in a career working in a museum. This eight-week internship will begin June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2025, and will end August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

This is an unpaid internship; however, we can work with your college for you to receive college credit. Each week of the internship you will receive training that includes NAI interpretation standards and Visual Thinking Strategies. You will be introduced to museum staff and have an opportunity to see how museum staff do their work, both behind the scenes, and when interacting with visitors.

Along with training in museum practices, you will learn the day-to-day operation and visitor engagement while working with pre-school and K-12 museum visitors. You will help with our youth summer camps and other programs as a classroom assistant, talking with young students about their art, as well as providing one-to-one support for art projects. You will also work with families who visit our Create Space. You will be trained in giving guided gallery group tours. This summer's exhibits include *Fire: Rebirth and Resilience* and *Preston Singletary: Raven and the Box of Daylight.* You will learn both the content of our summer exhibits as well as the best practices in making those exhibits come alive for our youngest visitors.

After the initial training period, this internship is 3-9 hours a week on Tuesdays and Thursdays between 8:00am and 2:00pm as well as an additional day during the week that will be decided once our summer schedules are confirmed. The first three weeks of training sessions will take place on Tuesday, June 17<sup>th</sup>, June 24<sup>th</sup>, and July 1<sup>st</sup> from 10am-12noon. You will be a part of a cohort of six interns who will be on the same training schedule, but who will each work in different areas of the museum.

#### **Youth Programs**

The MAC serves thousands of families and younger visitors every year. Our youth programs include field trips, Create Space activities, Story and Craft, Family Days, and summer camps.

#### **Requirements:**

Pursuing a BA degree or MA degree in Education, Art, History, or related field. Must be physically able to lift 30 pounds, stand for long periods of time and climb stairs.

## To apply, please send the following information in PDF format to:

#### Angela.Ferguson@northwestmuseum.org

Resume and Cover letter explaining why you are interested in this internship and your future goals. **Deadline for applications is April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025**. We will conduct interviews the week of April 15<sup>th</sup>.