

• 2024 BUZZ LAB APPLICATION •

BUZZ LAB TEEN INTERNSHIP

DESCRIPTION

Buzz Lab is a paid internship during summer 2024 for teens, ages 12-18, interested in art, science, and the environment. Buzz Lab interns engage in learning, teaching, creating, sustaining and advocating for the livelihood of pollinators in a healthy ecosystem.



Buzz Lab interns will work with scientists, artists, and community members to learn and discuss the importance of pollinators, create works of public art, and participate in gardening and research in the Pollinator Garden at Plains Art Museum and other sites. This year, there will be 16 spots available.

Interns must commit to the following dates:

- Monday, June 10-Thursday, June 13, 9 am-4 pm
- Monday, June 17-Friday, June 21, 9 am-4 pm

Please include all scheduling conflicts in your application and contact amccann@plainsart.org with changes that arise. Missing portions of the scheduled dates may affect the stipend.

This is a paid internship: Interns will be paid \$50 a day to be paid out in two checks that will be mailed to the address listed on this application. Lunches and snacks are provided.

QUESTIONS?

Email us at amccann@plainsart.org to set up a time to talk about your application.

DEADLINE

APPLICATIONS ARE DUE AT 11:59 PM ON FRIDAY, APRIL 12, 2024. They may be dropped off or mailed to Plains Art Museum, Attn: Buzz Lab, 704 First Ave. N., Fargo ND 58102, e-mailed to amccann@plainsart.org, or completed online at plainsart.org/buzz-lab

All applicants will be notified by Monday, May 3, 2024.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

- Ages 12-18 on the first day of the internship (June 10, 2024) may apply.
- Must be available June 10-13, June 17-21
- Demonstrates enthusiasm and willingness to work as part of a team.
- We encourage students interested in art, science, and the environment to apply, especially those who would be the first to attend college in their family, black, indigenous, or students of color.
- We understand transportation may be a hardship for some families; please note on the application if you will need help with transportation. This will not affect your application.
- Internship may use Google Classroom for collaborative work or to share resources, if access to WiFi or a WiFi Capable device is a barrier please note in your application. This will not affect your application.

BUZZ LAB LAUNCH PARTY

Thursday, March 7, 5:30 – 7:30 pm, Center for Creativity (connected to Plains Art Museum)

We welcome anyone interested in knowing more about Buzz Lab to come to the Launch Party. This is an evening dedicated to answering questions, providing support with applications, and sharing the awesome things we have planned for this summer. Open to interested youth, families, and community members.

APPLICANT INFORMATION



Items marked with an asterisk are required.*

Name* _____

Preferred Name* _____ Pronouns _____

Address* _____

City / Zip* _____

Email* _____

Phone* _____

Alternate phone _____

Name of school* _____

Grade* _____

Date of Birth _____

Age on June 10, 2024* _____

Languages spoken other than English _____

Ethnicity _____

Will you need help with transportation to the Museum?* (Yes / No) _____

Please list any current or expected scheduling conflicts with the dates listed above.

PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

Name* _____

Daytime Phone* _____

Evening Phone* _____

Email* _____

Please include your responses to questions on the next page.

APPLICANT QUESTIONS

Please answer the following questions with thoughtful responses of at least 100 words. Attach your answers to your application.

- 1. Tell us why you are interested in being part of Buzz Lab.**
- 2. What knowledge or skills do you hope to gain from this experience?**
- 3. Why are pollinators important?**
- 4. How will your values and life experiences contribute to Buzz Lab? Share what creative and/or scientific talents, skills, and interests you will bring to Buzz Lab.**

RETURNING INTERN QUESTIONS

If you have participated in Buzz Lab previously, answer the following questions with thoughtful responses of at least 150 words. (You do not need to answer the general applicant questions above.)

- 1. How would continuing as a Buzz Lab intern help you meet your goals?**
- 2. Describe an impactful experience you had during Buzz Lab and how you would use this to positively affect the Buzz Lab team?**
- 3. What qualities do you have that make you a good team member? How will you draw upon these qualities to impact Buzz Lab?**
- 4. Are you interested in taking on a leadership role? If so, please explain how.**

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation letters are highly encouraged, but will not negatively affect the application if omitted. Submit one letter of recommendation from a teacher, advisor, or mentor (not a family member). Please ask the person who is writing the recommendation to address the following questions in their letter, as well as anything else they'd like to share.

- **Why is this person a good fit for this opportunity?**
- **How has this person demonstrated interest in art, science, and/or the environment?**
- **How could this experience help this person grow and expand their horizons?**

Recommendation letters can be mailed to: Plains Art Museum, Attn: Buzz Lab, 704 First Ave. N., Fargo ND 58102, or emailed to amccann@plainsart.org

CREATIVE SAMPLE (OPTIONAL)

Optional: We encourage you to submit an example of art, science, or other creative projects you have done relevant to this experience. It can be submitted as a document, a photograph, or a video.

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