Internship posting:
Education Department Gallery Intern
Unpaid/For Credit Internship – June 1, 2021 thru August or September 2021 the end dates depend on the needs of the interns’ school schedule
Tuesday – Sunday, 4-hour shifts, 12 hours/week total; plus 4 days of training

Position description
The Education Gallery Intern will assist the Museum Teaching Artist with the maker space environment. The Intern will facilitate inquiry base learning through asking questions rather than giving answers to encourage exploration and experimentation. The Intern will foster a fun and engaging environment that supports innovation, critical-thinking and curiosity. They will help create an inclusive environment to make the arts accessible to all, regardless of circumstances or ability. The Intern will train with lead educators and the Museum Teaching Artist to learn effective teaching methodologies and ensure a quality experience for museum visitors. Intern will assist in materials prep and clean up and help in other galleries or with museum programs as needed. Intern will assist museum visitors with art activities. Intern will participate in an ongoing evaluation process of the exhibit.

This summer the exhibition will delve into the makers’ relationship with nature, pulling from all parts of the MAC collection to inspire an immersive and family-friendly experience. Discover how the landscape inspires artmaking through the artwork and relationship of Northwest artists Wesley Wehr and Joseph Goldberg. Explore the natural motifs, tradition, and importance of beaded bags in the plateau cultures. Investigate the use of natural materials in millinery and its many different forms. Learn the story of a blacksmith who flew the first plane in the Inland Northwest, illustrating our obsession with flight over the ages.

Requirements:
Desire to learn an engaging teaching style to reach participants across diverse developmental levels to include them in the creative process.
Ability to adapt to varying populations and age groups.
Pursuing a BA degree or MA degree in Education, Art, or History.
Ability to express interpretive concepts clearly and concisely.
Ability to work both as a member of a team and independently.
Strong organization and communication skills.
Must be physically able to lift 30 pounds, stand for long periods of time and climb stairs.
Minimum of 12 hours/week required for the Internship
Preferred qualifications:
Experience leading youth and adult programs.
Interested candidates must have passion for sharing the region’s stories with audiences of all ages, cultures, and learning preferences through a variety of media.

During the internship, the MAC will provide the following training:
Visual Thinking Strategies training
Safety and security orientation
Content and evaluation training

To apply, please send the following information in Word or PDF format to:
Linda.Strong@northwestmuseum.org
Resume
Cover letter explaining how you meet the position’s qualifications
Completed volunteer/intern application (available on the museum’s website)
Application deadline: Open until filled