



## TEACHING ARTIST PROFILE and APPLICATION

Date of Application: 9/9/16.....

Artist Name: Sarah Campen .....

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1. I am available to work/teach (check all that apply):

in 1-2 week residency period only

I am flexible and could work different times

I can work 1 day per week for a month or more

I could work part days, different times

2. Please describe your arts education and/or arts background.

I am an interdisciplinary artist working in the mediums of dance/movement, theatre performance, and literary arts. I studied dance, theatre, and music during my youth in Sitka. I studied theatre and playwriting at Brown University from 2003-2007. I currently study playwriting through The Playwrights Center in Minneapolis, MN.

3. Which Art Forms are you interested in teaching, and how will you incorporate them into the classroom? Please list all, and indicate preferences if any. Also indicate what age children you prefer to work with.

*Example: Music and Rhythm. Part dance, part counting, part singing, I use music to help children learn about mathematical patterns and music. This will address Alaska State Standards Art A and Math A.*

*Example: I am a singer/musician. I have lesson plans that relate to math and counting for elementary age students, world folk songs which would augment World History or Geography for middle-school students, or I could work with high school students to develop small jazz ensembles.*

**Physical Theatre/Creative Movement** – I have developed lessons plans which help students create theatrical characters through movement. These exercises build kinesthetic skills, understanding of human motion, and teamwork. These lessons are highly adaptable and can augment content from language arts, history, and science classes.

**Literary Arts/Playwriting/Performance** – I work with students to create monologues and/or collectively written plays. Students learn elements of playwriting, write original material, and perform for peers.

I enjoy working with children of all ages. My lesson plans can be adapted to suit elementary, middle, or high school students.

4. What themes, concepts, and experiences do you want to share with students?

A primary focus in my lessons is developing understanding of ‘creativity’ – what it is, the important role it plays in our lives, and how to utilize it. Additionally, I am interested in helping students develop kinesthetic skills, capacity for teamwork, and writing proficiency.

5. Please list or describe any prior teaching experiences you may have had (apart from residencies)

In addition to several Teaching Artist residencies across the state, I taught dance classes in Gustavus from 2011-2014 and served as an instructor for Juneau Dance Theatre's Juneau Fine Arts Camp in 2012.

6. Why do you want to teach the arts in Juneau schools?

I believe deeply in the importance of arts education. Residencies allow for quality time with students, and the opportunity to encourage their creative potential. I greatly enjoy working with students, and have valued my time as a visiting artist in schools around the state. I look forward to the opportunity to continue to develop these skills through teaching in Juneau.

7. Past Experience with Artist in the Schools residencies: (list all) None to Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Sitka – K-1st – Spring 2015

Klukwan – K-12 – Fall 2015

Gustavus – K-12 – Fall 2015

Tenakee – K-12 – Fall 2015

Angoon – K-12 – Fall 2015

Shaktoolik – K-12 – Spring 2016

8. Have you participated in the **Juneau Teaching Artist Academy series**?

\_\_\_\_\_ I have completed the series \_\_\_\_\_ I participated in some of the series \_\_\_X\_\_\_ No, not yet

9. Please list three references who could be contacted about your work and teaching experience. Include name, phone number and email address for each.

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10. Provide any additional comments or additions that might help illuminate your work or life as an artist.

I live on Lemesurier Island outside of Gustavus, AK. I write plays and choreograph dance pieces. I work as a teaching artist, and also as a facilitator through USFS and The Nature Conservancy.

