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INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITY : STUDIO ASSISTANT IN GLASS

About Us

- ChoChoMa Studios is the UAE's only artist-run, hand-crafted, hot glass studio (www.chochoma.com). Located in Al Quoz 2 ,Dubai, we custom-fabricate glass at ChoChoMa Studios and are directed by a tight team of artists, exhibitors, curators, craftsmen, designers, engineers and suppliers who harness over 10 years of working with both hot and cold glass across four continents.
- We explore commercial projects and our clients occupy a diverse range - home owners, corporate entities, architects, interior designers, contractors, and merchandizers. We are also starting educational workshops that instruct people in glass at a beginner's level.
- Our facility houses a hot shop (glassblowing studio), kiln casting and moldmaking resources, grinding and polishing tools and flame-working torches. We also have a small woodworking and metal welding setup.

Outline of the opportunity

- Located at ChoChoMa Studios, Dubai, UAE
- 3-months duration on a tourist visa,
- Studio apartment, company vehicle for work-related transportation, and company SIM for communications,
- Stipend of AED 5500 (US\$ 1500 or Euros 1330) for living expenses (eg. food, utilities, travel, hobbies, etc),
- 48 hours per week (9 am - 6 pm, 6 days a week with 1 hour lunch break, Friday is holiday),
- Reports to Anjali Srinivasan, Director, ChoChoMa Studios.

Description of the internship position

- Material / technique testing and experimentation,
- Glass-based product design, specifications and drafting,
- Fabrication of designs during sampling via glassblowing, kiln casting, fusing/slumping, flame-working and cold working,
- Production of designs using multiple techniques,
- Teaching workshops to students of various types and techniques,
- Training production staff to execute tasks and supervising them,
- Interns may be entrusted with an independent design project based on aptitude and learning curve.
- This internship calls for a dedicated person with strong knowledge and skill base.

What you bring to ChoChoMa Studios

- A background in Glass. Specifically speaking, you will have solid skills in glass blowing, kiln casting, mold making, cold-working and flame-working.
- An interest in hand-crafted ethics and methods,
- Knowledge and practical experience in basic materials and construction techniques (sculpture),
- Computer skills and personal laptop are required for this position,
- Enthusiasm towards and knowledge of your subject,
- Willingness to work hard, if necessary extra hours to make up for mistakes or to complete tasks within deadlines,
- Flexibility, creativity and open-minded-ness in thinking and problem solving,
- Articulate and honest in communication, in English,
- Ability to handle criticism and use the information from failure constructively,
- Curious to overcome challenges and determined to resolve hurdles,
- Punctual and diligent during work hours, and towards assignments,
- Ability to drive and work independently without constant, direct supervision,
- Willingness to live harmoniously with UAE culture and laws,
- Valid EU/US/UK driver's license, passport and health / travel insurance for duration of internship.