

Volunteer Opportunity

Do you have a passion for mentoring young writers? Do you have experience working with kids? We urgently need volunteers to help in the classroom with our creative writing workshops.

Story Studio is a charity that gets kids excited about writing. Our programs do more than teach how to tell a story – they build confidence, encourage creativity and improve communication skills in youth. Over the past five years, we have helped over 6,000 youth write and publish their stories. We are a registered charity (807121504RR0001) based in British Columbia and rely entirely on grants,



donations and volunteers. We have a particular focus on schools that are identified as having a high percentage of vulnerable youth – students who may be at risk in terms of their academic achievement and social functioning. You can learn more about us at <u>www.storystudio.ca</u>

Volunteer Position Description

We are seeking volunteers to help with our Bookmaker Workshops, which will run in 40 classes (Grades K-6) from January to May (2019). Participating schools are located primarily within SD61. Helped by a team of facilitators, youth participating in these multi-day workshops are introduced to the process of writing and producing a book of their own. We use interactive and tactile activities to introduce students to the building blocks of writing in a fun and supportive way. We then print and bind each student's story into an individual book for them to keep.

We are seeking volunteers who – guided by our staff - will work directly with students in our classroom workshops: encouraging, coaching and sometimes scribing for youth. We are interested in connecting with volunteers who have some experience and interest in working with youth; have a passion for writing and creativity; and can commit to regularly assisting us in the classroom.

To learn more about Story Studio, and to complete a volunteer application form, please visit http://www.storystudio.ca/volunteer/ or contact us at info@storystudio.ca



Spring 2019 Story Studio Workshop Dates and Locations

* Please note that all workshop sessions take place during school hours (8:30-3:00) and are approximately 90 minutes long. Volunteers may sign up for one, two or three workshops per day.

January 15/16 – Victoria West Elementary	April 2/4 – Rogers Elementary
January 22/24 – Macaulay Elementary	April 9/10/11 – Quadra Elementary
January 29/31 – Macaulay Elementary	April 15/18 – Quadra Elementary
February 5/7 – McKenzie Elementary	April 23/24/25 – Quadra Elementary
February 12/14 – McKenzie Elementary	April 30/May 3 – Quadra Elementary
February 19/21 – Christchurch Cathedral	May 7/8/9 – George Jay Elementary
February 26/27 – Hillcrest Elementary	May 14/15/16 – George Jay Elementary
March 5/7 – Kelset Elementary	May 21/23 – George Jay Elementary
Mar 12/14 – Willows Elementary	May 28/30 – George Jay Elementary