



STORY TAPESTRIES

Empower. Educate. Engage.

Remote Volunteer Opportunities

Story Tapestries wants to put your skills and interests to work to serve our mission. Our goal is to improve accessibility and equity in educational spaces, and beyond, through the arts. Here are ways you can help us from your own home!

Magical World of Words

Why: Gift your love of reading and kickstart a child's learning journey. Research shows that the more words a young child hears before in their earliest formative years, the better we set them up for academic success by boosting reading comprehension, vocabulary and fluency before school.

What: Story Tapestries presents a weekly video series on Facebook where adults read their favorite stories from childhood, creating a video library for parents to enjoy and share with their children.

Where: We seek amazing people like YOU to present poems, picture books or stories, folktales, or family favorites for our weekly Facebook live video series.

When: Every Wednesday, Story Tapestries presents the Magical World of Words at 9 am, 12 pm, 3 pm, and 6 pm ET. We prefer the readings to be live, but you can opt to pre-record the story beforehand.

Benefit to the You and Your Team: Enjoy sharing your voice through a 5-15-minute story or poem and give children the joy of being read to. Your love of reading can reach 1,000+ per week with Facebook live streaming performances.

Workforce Development Speakers

Why: Inspire the leaders of tomorrow by sharing your personal experiences. Help youth side-step the pitfalls you fell into and give them the tools that have best supported you on your journey.

What: Story Tapestries relies on a diverse network of speakers who can share their stories, experiences, and life lessons with the next generation of employees, managers, and entrepreneurs.

Where: Online and various in-person locations.

When: Every September we generate a list of speakers we can call upon as the need arises throughout the academic year. Every residency and after-school program with youth involves at least one speaker where we match the interests of the students to the speaker.

Specific dates and times are determined based on the program schedule and the speaker's availability.

Benefit to You and Your Team: We welcome all levels of public speaking expertise. Whether you have the gift of gab or need some encouragement, Story Tapestries can provide you the opportunity, and if needed professional coaching, to help you deliver your message with impact.

Amplify US! Co-Facilitators

Why: Create brave spaces and foster courageous conversations in your community by joining the Amplify US! Initiative.

What: In a time where listening and dialogue is crucial to moving our world forward, Amplify US! is a community-driven initiative designed to use the arts to build cultural bridges. This project involves facilitating free storytelling workshops that teach community members how to tell their personal stories through spoken word and visual arts, and culminating performances that feature community and professional performers sharing the stage. Join the movement by participating in a brief training to be a soft facilitator during workshops to monitor the chat and provide additional one-on-one support to participants.

Where: Amplify US! workshops and performances happen in various community centers and now, because of COVID-19, online.

When: Amplify US! has two to four workshops and one performance per quarter. Workshops and performances are typically held in the evenings or on weekends. They are co-facilitated by spoken word artist and award-winning slam poet, Regie Cabico, and social worker and activist, Carolyn Lowery.

Benefit to You and Your Team: Participate in racial equity/social justice work that makes a tangible difference and builds up communities. Learn tools for trauma response and conflict resolution and learn how to foster dialogue for meaningful change.

Volunteer Facilitators

Why: Experience a day in the life of a Master Teaching Artist and make a lifetime of difference for children all over the Mid-Atlantic.

What: Support and assist a Story Tapestries workshop, residency, or performance as a Volunteer Facilitator. For online programs, this means monitoring the chat and observing youth on video to make sure they're getting the direct support they need. You will also support the evaluation process by conducting short feedback interviews.

Where: Online.



When: There are ongoing opportunities to support programs year-round. Provide us with your availability (an hour a week, each morning for a week, a one-time performance) and we'll match the program to your availability!

Benefit to You and Your Team: Based on our programming calendar and your availability, we pair you with an ST teaching artist to help bring smiles and learning to youth and community members. You make a difference by helping youth while gaining valuable insight into how arts integration really works. Witness first-hand how the arts bridge the equity gap so you can be an advocate for change.

Prefer to work behind the scenes?

Salesforce & G Suite Data Wizards

Why: After 10 years of growth as a non-profit, Story Tapestries has now implemented the CRM tool Salesforce to support contact and donor management. Solid data management means maximum transparency and efficiency in responding to the needs of our stakeholders and buys us time to do more of what we do best!

What: We need skilled data managers who can support our newly implemented Salesforce and G Suite systems as we continue to migrate data from our legacy systems.

Where & When: Online and as needed. If you have knowledge to share with our team, we can organize training times based on your availability.

Benefit to You and Your Team: Teach your keen business and technology skills to very grateful arts administrators. Improve your communication and professional development skills working with learners who are appreciative of your time and expertise.

Social Media Supporters

Why: Spread the word about our good works on social media helping to increase our following and brand awareness.

What: Help us spread our message and advocate via social media networks by creating content, sharing, commenting and interacting with Story Tapestries and our collaborators.

Where & When: Anywhere, at any time - you can support our mission with a single click to like, follow, and share, and each action makes a difference!



Benefit to You and Your Team: By engaging with us through social media you are letting the world know you support an awesome organization that uses the arts to make sure every kid has access to tools that support their ability to learn, grow, and express themselves.

Writers and Content Developers

Why: If you love to write and have a knack with words, please contribute to our blog and make sure we are shouting from the rooftops about the youth we are working with and the incredible transformations they are making.

What: Interview teaching artists, educators and youth who participate in our programs and highlight their stories. If qualitative analysis is your game, consider writing advocacy reports connecting our work to the latest in the field of arts education.

Where & When: Anywhere, at any time - Let your passion for composition tell the stories of youth who have fallen in love with learning and have found new ways to write their own futures.

Benefit to You and Your Team: Hone your writing skills by volunteering for a small, but mighty organization that is working overtime to make sure young people have the supplies and skills they need to succeed. Practice researching and interviewing by talking with our professional artists, educators, and youth about the impact of our programs on the community.

Ready to start? Contact us today!

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