Omari Hardwick bluapple Poetry Network Intern

ABOUT THE FOUNDATION: The Jason Taylor Foundation supports and creates programs that facilitate the personal growth and empowerment of South Florida’s children in need by focusing on improved health care, education and quality of life.

ABOUT THE BLUAPPLE POETRY NETWORK: The Omari Hardwick bluapple Poetry Network is a multifaceted spoken word poetry program available free to students actively attending South Florida schools. Created as a collaboration between the Jason Taylor Foundation and the School Board of Broward County’s Diversity, Cultural Outreach and Prevention Department, the program continues to expand throughout South Florida’s tri-county area.

DESCRIPTION: We are seeking an intern with a strong interest in education, creative writing, and/or spoken word poetry that will assist the Director of bluapple Poetry Programs in the day-to-day operations and activities. Candidates should be self-motivated, proactive, and able to work with a wide array of personalities with varied socioeconomic backgrounds.

RESPONSIBILITIES: The successful candidate will be charged with the following duties:

- Assist with operations and activities of poetry-related programming
- Coordinate content for “The bluapple Poetry Hour,” a weekly radio show
- Develop and disseminate schedule for in-school programming
- Facilitate school-based group workshops via distance learning platform
- Contribute to event and logistical planning, preparation, and execution for all poetry events
- Assist with the maintenance and content creation for bluapple Poetry Network website and all social media sites (Twitter, Instagram, Facebook, etc.)

QUALIFICATIONS: Ideal candidates will possess the following knowledge, skills and/or abilities:

- Pursuant of college degree in Education, English/Creative Writing, or related field
- Strong background in poetry and creative writing
- Outstanding communication (written and verbal) and interpersonal skills
- Administrative experience including proficiency in Microsoft Office and familiarity with Adobe Creative Suite
- Strong internet navigation and research skills

COMPENSATION: This internship is unpaid; academic credit is preferred. However, the opportunity offers the following benefits:

- Experience in event planning and production
- Involvement in an innovative and ever-expanding arts-based educational program
- Opportunities to grow as an artist and educator
- A broad portfolio of work experience - the intern will end her or his tenure with strong knowledge of project work, writing experience, documented social media experience, event planning and production experience; knowledge of nonprofit organization operation, and more

OVERSIGHT AND ADDITIONAL INFO: Reports to Director of bluapple Poetry Programs. If receiving academic credit, a learning agreement will be executed between the intern, the JTF and the academic institution giving credit. This internship position is 20-40 hours per week with opportunity for it to be configured as semester-long or other. Specific days and hours are negotiable.

HOW TO APPLY: Using a subject line of bluapple Poetry Network Internship, please send your cover letter and resume to JTF Director of Poetry, Darius Daughtry at darius@jasontaylorfoundation.com. Please consider the environment before sending faxes or hard copies of your application materials.