

# **Sculpture Group Volunteer**

## **Position Summary:**

<u>Hands of Fire</u> is a sculpture group for blind and visually impaired individuals. Based in Toronto at 2181 Queen St E, we provide opportunities for our members to express their creativity through sculpting in a safe and welcoming environment. We have been an official chapter of the Canadian Council of the Blind (CCB) since 2016.

Hands of Fire is looking for volunteers to run our sculpture classes. Classes run every Saturday from 12 PM to 4:30 PM. Volunteers are not required to come in every Saturday.

#### **Essential Duties:**

- Set up the room before members arrive, and clean/tear it down at the end of classes.
- Provide members with accessibility support such as guiding them around the studio space, preparing refreshments, and ensuring their safety and access needs are met.
- Assist instructors in teaching members to sculpt.
- Communicating any needs or concerns to instructors.
- Establish positive, supportive, and respectful interactions with members.
- Become knowledgeable about clients' interests, unique abilities, and support needs.

#### **Qualifications:**

- Experience working in the social services sector and/or with individuals experiencing vision loss is preferred.
- Artistic experience, particularly in sculpting and/or art instruction an asset.
- Ability to work collaboratively in a team and to take direction from instructors and Executives.

## Perks of Volunteering With Us:

- Volunteers are eligible for a <u>reference letter</u> after 6 months of volunteering with Hands of Fire.
- Essential sighted guide training applicable to everyday life.
- Find community with our volunteer socials, parties, and celebrations.
- Gain valuable experience and skills applicable for future employment.
- <u>Community service hours</u> are available for high school students.

### Notes:

- High school students are welcome to apply.
- Hands of Fire provides volunteer training on vision loss and sighted guiding.
- This position requires various physical demands; however, accommodations may be made to ensure volunteers can perform the essential functions and duties safely.

**Please fill out this <u>form</u> to apply.** If you have any questions, please direct them to our email info@handsoffire.org.