

## **KANSAS CITY ART INSTITUTE - POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT**

Position: William T. Kemper Visiting Assistant Professor in Painting

Status: Full-Time Visiting

Rank: Assistant Professor

Start Date: Aug. 15, 2018

The Kansas City Art Institute (KCAI), a national leader in visual arts education, is seeking applications for the William T. Kemper Visiting Assistant Professor in Painting, to begin August 15, 2018.

### **Description:**

This full time visiting position would bring strengths that complement those of the current painting department faculty and provide new perspectives not currently represented. The assigned teaching load would include major studio instruction (12 contact hours weekly) for juniors and seniors in addition to an innovative elective course each semester (6 contact hours weekly). Minimum qualifications include an MFA, an active professional creative practice at the national level, and the ability to work with upper division undergraduates. Kansas City Art Institute is a four-year, independent and accredited college of art and design founded in 1885, and located in the cultural heart of metropolitan Kansas City, Missouri. The college enrolls over 600 undergraduate students drawn regionally, nationally and internationally. [www.kcai.edu](http://www.kcai.edu)

### **Requirements of the Position:**

The successful candidate must be able to:

1. Foster risk-taking and experimentation in the studio practices of students whose work spans across the expanded field of painting.
2. Mentor students individually in the creation of a disciplined studio practice and foster the individualized research and material exploration of each student.
3. Present ideas through readings and presentations and stimulate productive conversations about those ideas with the entire group of students that carry into students' studio practices.
4. Share expertise of specific material processes, histories and visual conversations, as well as be able to address the concerns of students who have interests in processes and traditions that fall outside of those in which they (the instructor) specialize.
5. Lead productive, critical and constructive critiques with large groups of students as well as critique work in one on one conversation with students.
6. Collaborate with Painting Department faculty in addressing departmental issues and goals.

### **Education Experience and Requirements:**

MFA, or other advanced degree relevant to the position  
Full-time college level teaching experience is highly preferred

**Applications deadline and procedures:**

This position is considered “open” until an offer of employment has been accepted. Initial review of applications will begin Feb 15th. Applications received during the on-campus finalist stage of the search are not guaranteed consideration.

Apply by email to: [jobs+painting2018@kcai.edu](mailto:jobs+painting2018@kcai.edu)

Attach to the email in PDF format only:

- Cover letter
- CV or Resume
- Teaching Philosophy
- Portfolio of 20 images of your art work or writing samples – PDF or website is acceptable
- Portfolio of student work – PDF or website is acceptable
- Salary Expectation and Salary History
- List of 3 professional references we may contact
- Two drawing or seminar/studio elective class proposals with Learning Objectives
- Statement of Interest that answers the following questions: What is the relationship between your studio practice and your teaching? How do you navigate the variety of approaches to painting from the traditional to the expanded field within your teaching? How do you define success and failure in the classroom? What material processes and critical discourses are you most excited to share with students?

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