Resident Facilitator Frequently Asked Questions

Key TERMS

Offering: Cottonwood learners both young and old bring offerings for activities and ideas to the cottonwood space. Offerings can be merely an impulse or else a fully formed and guided event e.g. "I want to build boats out of corks and float them down the river." or simply "I want to spend time outside". Offerings are generous with your learning process and impulses by sharing them amongst the group, it is expected that interested learners and co-facilitators will assist in supporting your offering.

Creative Practice: Creative practices are the consistent and passionate interests of your lifestyle. Anything from textile weaving, patisserie, and theatre arts, to 3D printing and naturalist studies; anything that excites you with vigour to learn and create.

Artist: A person who engages in intentional creativity.

Facilitator: A person who works with the intention to guide and support a process.

Teaching / guiding / supporting: All elements of facilitation. As a leader of young people, the Resident Facilitator reads when it is appropriate to be a responsible witness or assistant to learners' proposals or to lead a proposal of their own.

Play: to engage with space, people, and things of the world with curiosity, wonder, and intention.

FAQ

1. Who can apply? What do you mean by creative practice? Do I qualify?

The position is for all who resonate with the Cottonwood environment and envision collaborating with our space. We want embodied learners who can inspire and exchange with Cottonwood students.

- Practical requirements
 - 18+ years old
 - All applicants are required to undergo a mandatory background check and First aid training.

2. Can international people apply?

Yes! However, to be paid applicants must have legal status in the USA.

3. Do I have to drive?

No! However, it is a preferred skill.

4. What is the difference between the facilitator positions?

- All Resident Facilitators share some of the same qualities.
 - Responsibility as the space-holder for Cottonwood learners.
 - Housing provided.
 - Flexible use of the CW facilities.

The main differences are having to do with how eager and comfortable applicants are to propose offerings to the Cottonwood space.

- **Volunteer Facilitators** can opt-in to offer some smaller activities relating to their practice during the school year.
- **Teaching Facilitators** (paid) lead an entire unit of learning according to their practice.
- **Summer Facilitators** (paid) support the summer camp learning environment which is a different structure from the regular school year. They may offer smaller activities relating to their practice and are encouraged to facilitate at least one offering to the greater Cottonwood community.

5. How much do I get paid?

- Volunteer Facilitators do not get paid.
- \$1200 Teaching Facilitator
- \$425-525/week Summer Facilitator (depending on location)

6. What is the housing situation?

Complimentary housing as a private room in a shared apartment close to the learning space will be provided for Summer and Teaching facilitators. Volunteer facilitators may have complimentary housing on a case-by-case basis.

7. What facilities are available?

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- Large multi- purpose space when not in use by Cottonwood programs
- Craft materials.

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- Large multi-purpose space when not in use by Cottonwood programs.
- Space includes smaller rooms, kitchenette, wall mirror, bluetooth speaker.
- Smaller private studio space for storage or ongoing projects during your time here.
- Craft materials.

Have any other questions? Write to us with any specific questions at team@cottonwoodalc.org