

TheatreWorks

S I L I C O N V A L L E Y

PROPS INTERNSHIP

The TheatreWorks Props Department is responsible for building, buying, and borrowing theatrical properties for eight mainstage shows per year. In addition, we provide props for the New Works Festival and Education Department productions, maintain a very large props inventory, and manage rentals to professional, community, and academic productions throughout the Bay Area. A professional props artisan is expected to know carpentry, metalworking, soft goods construction, mold making, upholstery, and painting; they need to be able to find anything, fix anything, research anything, and improvise solutions to improbable issues on the fly. The Properties Intern will participate in all of the department's activities and is strongly encouraged to set personal goals in an area where they need the most instruction and experience. The Props Department Staff is happy to share knowledge and skills with candidates who are smart, committed, focused, flexible, and tough; willingness to learn and a good sense of humor are absolute requirements.

Responsibilities may include:

- Building hand props and furnishings
- Prototyping unusual props, problem solving
- Communicating with designers, directors, actors, and stage management
- Pulling and shopping for props
- Maintenance and organization of prop stock

Skills:

- Experience with theatre production or fine arts/sculpture
- Building with hand and power tools, sewing, painting, computer graphics, any type of crafting
- Must be able to lift 25-50 pounds

Dates/Hours:

Hours and dates are by arrangement with department supervisor.