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The John F. Kennedy Center for  
the Performing Arts



Opportunities for Students in  
Transition through the Arts

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How Many Jobs in the  
Arts Can You Name?

1. Actor
2. Dancer
3. Musician/Singer
4. Artist
5. Writer
6. ???

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Resources for  
Identifying Jobs

- Occupational Outlook Handbook (OOH), 2008-09 Edition – <http://www.bls.gov/OCO/>
- Career Services – [http://www2.careers.govt.nz/get\\_job\\_info.html](http://www2.careers.govt.nz/get_job_info.html)

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Sample Sites Where  
Jobs are Posted

- Jobs in a variety of arts fields: <http://www.artjob.org>
- Jobs for Visual Artists: <http://www.thepauper.com/default.asp>
- Jobs in Theater: [www.actorsequity.org/CastingCall/castingcallhome.asp](http://www.actorsequity.org/CastingCall/castingcallhome.asp)

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## Sample Sites Where Jobs are Posted

- Jobs in TV and Radio:  
<http://tvandradijobs.com/cgi-bin/classifieds/classifieds.cgi>
- Jobs in the Music Field:  
<http://www.mymusicjob.com>



## Self-Employment & Entrepreneurship

- The Abilities Fund - [www.abilitiesfund.org/index.php](http://www.abilitiesfund.org/index.php)
- Self-Employment in the Arts - [http://sea.noctrl.edu/resource\\_index.php](http://sea.noctrl.edu/resource_index.php)
- JAN - <http://www.jan.wvu.edu/entre/>
- Start Up USA - <http://www.start-up-usa.biz/about/index.cfm>



## Transition Models

Internships and  
Apprenticeships



## Arts@Work for Youth: Summer Apprenticeships in Cultural and Creative Industries

<http://kahumana.org/HanailKaHana.php>



## Williamstown Theatre Festival Apprenticeships

<http://www.vsarts.org/x2431.xml>



## Internships

- Provide Hands-On Training & Practical Experience
- Opportunities to apply skills and knowledge learned in the classroom
- Foster self-confidence, responsibility, independence and social skills



## Internships

- CAIM – Careers in the Arts Initiative Internships
- HSC Foundation Internship
- Experiential Education Initiative (EEI) Internship





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### What We've Learned

- Obtain knowledge of interns learning styles prior to placement
- Be prepared to carve out a job that fits the individual instead of carving the individual to fit the job

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### What We've Learned


- Use existing services to their fullest – take advantage of service providers, job coaches, family support
- Do not be afraid to admit something did not work and to try something new

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### What We've Learned

- Given the opportunity the interns will succeed
- Be flexible


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- The Kennedy Center
- Welcomes People
- with Disabilities



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