CURATORIAL INTERNSHIP 2009 - 2010
EMERGING FILMMAKERS SERIES
Amherst Cinema Arts Center, Inc.

The Amherst Cinema Arts Center is accepting applications for an internship as Curator of our monthly Emerging Filmmakers Series. This position is unpaid.

The Amherst Cinema Arts Center is a nonprofit that operates two independent cinemas, the Amherst Cinema in downtown Amherst, MA and the Pleasant Street Theater in downtown Northampton, MA. www.amherstcinema.org

The Emerging Filmmakers Series screens the first Wednesday of each month at 9 PM at Pleasant Street Theater.

Responsibilities:
Solicit, screen, select and promote films to be shown in the monthly Emerging Filmmakers Series, beginning with the screening on December 2, 2009 and continuing for the next six months, through May 5, 2010.

Work closely with the Amherst Cinema Arts Center staff, including the Executive Director. Manage within the budget for this series, which is miniscule.

Films must be available to be shown without a rental fee or costs to Amherst Cinema / Pleasant Street Theater. The presence of filmmakers at screenings is warmly welcomed.

The Curator will have wide discretion to select films (videos), which may be shorts, feature length or anything in between and of any style, subject matter or genre. Management has the final say on selection and will veto films that are pornographic or which contain excessive violence or which otherwise fail to meet our standards. The objective is to screen films that achieve a high quality level in terms of both content and presentation and to present work of talented filmmakers (of any age). Total length of the program each month should be under two hours. Films should be selected and approved at least 30 days in advance of the screenings.

The person selected must be present for each screening (it is not OK to be absent for the January 6, 2010 screening, for example).

Skills and Experience Required: Knowledge and love of film. Experience in filmmaking a plus. Excellent communication and people skills. Ability to plan ahead and be organized. No seat-of-the-pants or last-minute work will be tolerated. A sense of humor is essential.

Send letter and resume to info@amherstcinema.org with Subject: Curatorial Internship, or mail to Amherst Cinema Arts Center, 28 Amity Street Suite 1H, Amherst MA 01002, Attn: Curatorial Search.

Only potential interviewees will be contacted. Interviews will begin immediately and will continue until the position is filled.

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