Arts, Design and Performance

The Arts, Design and Performance industry is diverse, multi-faceted, and dynamically changing. Individuals in this industry work in a wide variety of international and domestic fields, functional areas, and organizations utilizing their technical, foundational and interpretive abilities. These jobs offer a place for exploration, innovation and problem solving with a larger goal to become global citizens engaged in creating positive communities.

Tips for success

Build your network: Connecting with industry professionals can provide you more information on specific careers as well as professional associations and community organizations.

Gain relevant experience through volunteering and internships: Internships and freelance work can help you develop crucial hands-on experience, which is especially important in gaining full-time employment opportunities.

Focus on your field: Employers are more likely to hire a candidate who showcases a specific skill set related to the job they are applying to.

Professional Associations

There are several local and national professional associations connected to this career field. Joining a professional association will help you network with professionals already in your field of interest, as well as expose you to new opportunities you may not have considered.

- **Arizona Commission on the Arts**
- **AIGA, the Professional Association for Design**
- **American Society of Interior Designers**
- **Association of Performing Arts**
- **College Art Association**
- **Industrial Designers Society of America**
- **League of American Orchestras**

Possible areas of employment

Art & Music Therapy

Architecture

Dance Education

Graphic Design

Fashion

Film

Interior Design

Performance (Theatrical, Musical, etc.)

Top desired skills

Creativity and Innovation

Disciplinary Craft and Technical Skills

Digital and Creative Technology

Self-care/ self-motivated time-
management

Global + Cultural Fluency

Oral and Written communication skills

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