

Job Title: **CRATING TECHNICIAN**
Job Posting Number: **0046-17/Full-time**
Location: **Somerville, MA**
Posting Date: **July 20, 2017**

WHO WE ARE

Artex is the nation's largest and most comprehensive fine art service provider to museums, galleries, auction houses and private collectors. We specialize in the safe handling of fine art, antiques and museum objects of all kinds. We provide transportation, crating and packing, storage, installation, rigging, and conservation services to museums, galleries, and auction houses as well as private and corporate collections. No matter the size or scope of the job, we provide solutions that meet or exceed the expectations of our clients, while ensuring them the most cost-effective service possible. For this reason, ARTEX is routinely chosen to handle the most complex and demanding of projects, ranging from entire museum relocations to the shipment of an individual piece.

THE ROLE

Reporting to the Crating Manager, this position is part of the production team that specializes in the production of wood crates for fine arts shipping.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Reads and processes crate designs to given specifications.
- Operates power tools and related equipment to manufacture individually designed wood crates for the handling, packing, and shipping of fine art, antiques and artifacts.
- Operates a sprayer for water based adhesives, paints, and lacquer.
- Contours insulation and cushioning foams and prepares inner packing materials according to a variety of design specifications.
- Performs shop maintenance and other incidental and related duties as required and assigned

QUALIFICATIONS:

- A minimum of three (3) years of previous crate shop and/or production carpentry experience required.
- Must be able to read production design paperwork.
- Knowledge of general shop safety and the following power tools and their recommended safety requirements: table saw, radial arm saw, panel saw, belt and orbital sanders, pneumatic staplers and nailers, biscuit joiners, band saws, power drills and an assortment of other hand tools.
- Excellent precision and attention to detail, an understanding of archival materials, museum specifications for the crating and packing of museum objects considered a plus.

EDUCATION:

High School Diploma or GED equivalent.

LANGUAGE SKILLS:

Excellent skills in communicating effectively in oral and written form.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS:

While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to walk, stand, sit, bend, lift, and use hands. Movement may occur in warehouses and offices. Specific vision abilities required by this job include vision and ability to adjust focus.

Employee must be able to lift 75lbs unassisted and must be able to frequently lift and/or move up to 300lbs with assistance of mechanical equipment. Noise level is usually moderate.

The physical demands described here are representative of those that an employee may perform on an occasional to regular basis while performing functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals to perform these functions.

HOW TO APPLY

If you feel you possess the experience and qualifications outlined, you MUST apply via the link: [CLICK HERE](#). To learn more about Artex please visit www.artexfas.com.

Consideration will be granted Only to those who possess the minimum requirements as stipulated. Protected Veterans are encouraged to apply. Artex, Inc. is a federal contractor and an EOE AA M/F/VET/DISABLED employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, gender, national origin, medical condition or disability or protected veteran status. If you need reasonable accommodation for any part of the application and hiring process, please contact the Human Resources Department at (301) 350-5500.

NOTE: The job description is not intended to be all-inclusive. Employees may be assigned other related duties to meet the ongoing needs of the organization.