

FILM CRITIC/SPECIALIST (MULTIMEDIA) — CORRESPONDENT TIFF '21

TERM: P/T STAFF CONTRACT (PROJECT BASED – FREELANCE)

Canadian Centre for Civic Media and Arts Development Inc. operates as VX3 Exchange. We strive to connect the Canadian Afro-Caribbean community (and other key demographics) by way of producing media and event content that engages with a broader audience. We offer professionally guided models in media and the arts to create experiences that inspire **CULTURE**, **CREATIVITY** and **CONNECTIVITY** across Canada. Find out more about us at: www.vx3exchange.com — We are home to WIBE105 (105.5FM) Toronto.

Make your mark in Online Film Journalism. We want YOU to join our community!

JOB DESCRIPTION

VIBE105 FM is an official Media Partner of the Toronto International Film Festival (TIFF). We have an exciting opportunity for an organized and innovative freelance Film Critic/ Specialist to cover TIFF '21 (TIFF) on behalf of VIBE105. The festival will take place September 09 - September 18, 2021 and will be a combination of digital and in-person screenings.

The Film Critic/Specialist will provide comprehensive coverage (that resonates with our <u>VIBE105 communities</u>) for our social media platforms such as *Instagram & YouTube*, and our lifestyle <u>blogs</u>. Coverage will include single-handedly writing complete film reviews, curating and packaging video interviews and other bite-sized content for our audio, visual and digital platforms.

A detailed coverage strategy – from production to execution and distribution of final segments- will be required upon resumption of role.

The Film Critic/ Specialist should be **self-driven**, **social media savvy** and be able to keep pace with the constantly evolving nature of an internationally acclaimed Film Festival.

Meetings between the Content Coordinator and Film Critic/ Journalist will take place on a regular basis (regularly remotely/ occasionally on-site).

*NOTE: DUE TO CURRENT RESTRICTIONS - OPERATIONS WILL BE A MIX OF REMOTE & ON-SITE

QUALIFICATIONS:

- A passionate film buff with a diverse journalism background
- Experience creating video and graphic design templates to be used across all media channels from broadcast, video, digital, social media, to online.
- Must be able to generate smart commentary for our audio, video and digital platforms.
- Must thrive on tight deadlines
- Open-minded to various perspectives in alternative, socially engaging programming
- Demonstrate an ability to work in a remote team/collective environment
- Strong written and oral communication skills

- Demonstrate innovation, problem solving and multitasking skills
- Coordinate and conduct interviews with identified talent
- Ability to follow instructions, work independently and take initiative
- IF ONSITE: Cover Press Conferences, Red Carpet Premieres, Camera Calls, Film Screenings, Gala
 Presentations and any other events during TIFF as identified by VIBE105.
- Pitch ideas for movies, TV, and celebrity feature coverage
- Previous experience covering an INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL IS A MUST.

Applicant must send a cover letter, resume, multimedia samples for review and MUST LIVE IN TORONTO/ GTA and prepare to work REMOTELY (Regularly) and ON-SITE (Occasionally). Please specify in your application your area(s) of interest and experience, including any accommodation(s).

If considered for the position applicant must provide:

- i. a 30-second pilot video of them doing a film review,
- ii. three (3) professional references and
- iii. a brief coverage plan prior to a scheduled interview with the News Desk Coordinator.

Applicants should be confident, sociable, reliable, fast-learners, quick thinkers, and a self-starter. If you have these qualities, please email to schedule an interview (via Zoom). We are looking forward to hearing from you!

Contract for P/T hours, Approx. \$16.50 per hour / 10-15hrs p/wk (additional hours dependant on projects)

Deadline: JUNE 16, 2021 by 4:00 pm EST

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VX3 Exchange (CCCMAD Inc.) is an anti-sexist, anti-racist, anti-homophobic, anti-oppressive employment environment; and is committed to a diverse and equitable workspace. Only candidates selected for an interview will be contacted.

<u>Job Contact Information - Send Submissions to:</u>

Fatima Husain, News Desk Coordinator

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Email: jobs@vx3exchange.com Fax: (416) 650-8052

Salary: \$16.50 pr/hr

Terms:

Contract for Fall Term (with potential for extension)

Start Date: August 23rd/2021 End Date: Sept 24th/2021

Upon appointment, the role will be required to work flexible hours and complete a determined observation period. If necessary, the candidate will be provided with the necessary trainings during the first two weeks of their appointment. *Note: If identified, these trainings will then be compulsory to undertake.* **ONLY CANDIDATES WITH A PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE WILL BE CONSIDERED FOR THIS ROLE.**