

**In Miriam's Studio, we offer two different opportunities for creative volunteering:  
Art Studio and Writing group. *You could do either or both!*  
Here is more information about each of the types of positions.**

## **Art Studio Volunteer**

We offer open art studio to our guests (Miriam's Kitchen's clients) twice a day, each weekday.

- The AM (morning) shift is from 8:00am - 10:00am.
- The PM (afternoon) shift is from 2:15-4:30pm.
- There is also a studio prep shift in between hours (when our guests are not present) from 10:00am or 11:00am - 2:00pm.

**Here are the types of responsibilities that you would have during each shift:**

### AM Studio Shift (from 8:00am-10:00am)

- Set-up dining room to prepare for studio
- Retrieving supplies for guests
- Refilling paint and supply cart as needed
- Cleaning brushes
- Engaging with guests, becoming interested in their artwork
- Hosting and/or assisting with arts workshops
- *(YES! If interested, you could have the opportunity to host art workshops, teach skills, or have an art group)*

### Studio Prep Shift (from 11:00am - 2:00pm)

- Creating Bead Bags for guests' jewelry making
- Gesso-ing canvases
- Refilling art cart with supplies
- Removing paint or spilled materials from floors
- Organizing art closets and/or artwork
- Putting down table cloths and prepping for the PM shift
- Planning for the PM shift

### PM Studio Shift (from 2:15pm-4:30pm)

- Set-up dining room to prepare for studio
- Retrieving supplies for guests
- Refilling paint and supply cart as needed
- Cleaning brushes

- Engaging with guests, becoming interested in their artwork
- Hosting and/or assisting with arts workshops

*\*\*If any of these things sound foreign to you, don't worry! We have a volunteer training that will cover these topics, and I am always here to answer questions!*

### **Writing Group Volunteer**

Each weekday, Miriam's offers writing groups for our guests at two different times:

- During AM Studio Shift (from 8:15am - 9:30am)
- During PM Studio Shift (from 2:30pm - 4:15pm)

*\*Each time slot has some flexibility as far as stop and start times.*

The group leader (volunteer) is able to offer a self-selected literature to read and discuss, a writing topic, an activity, and/or any combination of those things. Groups feature poetry and story writing, lyric analysis, monologues, reading, etc. There are opportunities to host writing groups in Spanish, if interested.

**\*As a Studio volunteer, you would be able to select the times, shifts,\*  
and activities that work best for your schedule and interests.**

### **Volunteer Requirements**

Here is what I ask of volunteers:

- Please attend a volunteer training, or schedule a private training with Art Therapist or Art Therapy Intern
- Please honor your commitments to your scheduled days, times, tasks (with flexibility, of course)
- Please be punctual and considerate of others' needs
- Finally, ask questions, and have fun!