



We're Recruiting Mentors with Disabilities!

VSA Vermont is **seeking adults with disabilities who are interested in becoming mentors** for high school youth with disabilities. For over a decade, VSA Vermont has offered a structured classroom program using the arts to boost youth readiness to transition to adulthood. Now we're ready to take it a step further and bridge school and community with intergenerational creative connections.



What we're looking for:

- Adults with disabilities of any and all types who are at least 22 years old.
- Interested in mentoring youth and providing a positive role model experience on an ongoing, volunteer basis.
- Interested in the arts – but no experience is necessary, just a willingness to try new things!
- Available for in-school and community-based activities averaging one hour a week every week, typically during the school day, for the duration of at least one full school year.
- Reside/work near either the Burlington or Barre/Montpelier area (in the future we hope to expand to other communities).

- Available for two, in-person training workshops: Saturday, August 8 from 1-5:00 pm, and Friday, August 14 from 9am-1:00 pm. Site TBD.

What VSA Vermont provides:

- Training in mentoring, communication, and role modeling.
- Arts experiences in various genres and in a variety of media and settings, including all necessary materials and skill teaching (provided by local artists).
- Careful matchmaking and ongoing support for all mentor/mentee pairs.
- The chance to make a difference in the life of a young person with a disability at a critical time in his or her life.



If you're interested in participating, please download and fill-out the [application form](#) and return it by email to toby@vsavt.org or by mail to Toby MacNutt; VSA Vermont; 21 Carmichael Street, Suite 206; Essex Junction, VT 05452 by **Wednesday, July 15, 2015 at 4 pm.**

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