



The Jamestown  
Community Center

<b>Carnaval Costume Seamstress</b>	<b>Posting Date:</b> August 19, 2019 <b>Job Type:</b> Independent Contractor <b>Point Person:</b> Costume Lead <b>Compensation:</b> Payment based on quantity of completed pieces produced (\$3-\$15 per piece dependent on design assigned)
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### **Our Mission**

Through transformative youth development services rooted in the cultural and artistic traditions of our communities, we accompany youth and their families on their path to realize their full potential as powerful and healthy members of society.

Our programs include tutoring, before and after school academic enrichment, summer programs, social/emotional support, sports, youth workforce, parent leadership development and organizing, and Afro-Latino arts education and performance.

As of July 1st, 2018, the Jamestown Community Center and Loco Bloco have formally merged. Both youth development organizations have long established track records of providing enriching, high quality programming to youth to promote their healthy transition into adulthood. We chose to merge because of our shared commitment to youth development, our shared love for the Mission community, and our shared experience in developing leadership among low income youth and families.

The excellence Loco Bloco brings to arts programming and performance, and the expertise Jamestown brings to academic enrichment and youth development, coupled with our long history of mutual collaboration will lead to a better, stronger, more efficient and sustainable organization. At the same time, the displacement and gentrification pressure our communities are now facing necessitate bold solutions like this one, which will allow us to provide deeper and more comprehensive services more efficiently. We are stronger together.

### **Overview:**

Jamestown/LoCo Bloco is hiring seamstresses for our 2020 Carnaval program. Our team of seamstresses will be guided by our Costume Lead who will provide the designs, prototypes and patterns for all costume looks. The key responsibility of the contractor/seamstress is to execute the construction of costumes for the participants of our Carnaval contingent. Costume look assignment will be decided on by the Lead based on sewing ability and availability. Due to the specialized materials used for this project, all materials for the construction of costumes will be provided by Loco Bloco including fabric, trims/embellishments and thread. Seamstresses must provide their own sewing equipment, cutting tools, iron etc. Seamstresses will be responsible for the following:

- Perform sewing, alterations and embellishments with accuracy and efficiency
- Collaborate and communicate effectively with Costume Facilitator and seamstress team as needed
- Complete construction of assigned costumes according to costume production schedule

### **Qualifications:**

- Costume or clothing design and construction experience
- Self-motivating and creative problem solver
- Ability to accurately follow patterns
- Understand how various fabrics will react in sewing
- Ability to manage time to keep up with costume production schedule and order volume
- Must have own sewing equipment, cutting tools, iron etc.

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