My Voice, My Future

Unpaid Self-Advocacy Series

Applications due September 30

**October 21 – December 6 via Zoom**

This series includes 13 virtual workshops designed to build confidence, communication, motivation, problem-solving, and more! Workshop attendance is incentivized through prizes. **Tuition: $983**

**Workshop Series:**

*Empowerment Through Play:* Led by a professional drama teacher, this series helps participants take charge of their stories and lives!

*Orientation & Mobility/Independent Living:* Led by a COMS/VRT, participants learn about independent travel/living.

*Social Hour:* Participants gather for self-led discussion, games, and movie night!

*Speaker Retreats:* Participants connect with adults who are blind and visually impaired to learn about their careers and create connections.

*Virtual Art Gallery Tour:* Led by Inclusive Arts Vermont, this is a dynamic virtual tour of art made by artists with disabilities.

National Narrative Writers

Paid Work-Based Learning Opportunity

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**October 21 – December 6 via Zoom**

Participants will interview Randolph-Sheppard vending operators in multiple states to write narrative profiles on the operators and their businesses to be delivered across LEAP's communications' platforms – from social media, to websites, to e-newsletters. Join us to strengthen your interview and writing skills! Includes weekly access to a Certified Assistive Technology Instructional Specialist (CATIS) and access to My Voice, My Future Workshops. **Tuition: $3635**

**Wages:** $13.67/hour (Or at your state's minimum wage, if higher)

**Skills & Qualifications:**

* Independently access Zoom;
* Independently access Google Suite;
* Communicate effectively;
* Problem-solve daily challenges;
* Manage time appropriately;
* Complete and submit hiring paperwork by deadline

Game Design

Unpaid Coding Crash Course

Applications due September 30

**October 21 – December 6 via Zoom**

Participants will learn game design and programming by writing and coding an accessible role playing game. Programming will be in the Quorum Programming Language, an evidence-based language designed to be inclusive and accessible. Additionally, participants will have weekly access to a Certified Assistive Technology Instructional Specialist (CATIS), and access to My Voice, My Future workshops. **Tuition: $2855**

**Skills & Qualifications:**

* Participants need a computer/laptop (Mac or Windows) that they can download software to. Tablets, phones, and Chromebooks will not work.
* Participants can use a Braille display connected to their computer or laptop, if needed.
* Participants have basic typing skills, ie. finding common keys on the keyboard.