

March 21, 2017



To Whom It May Concern:

It is with great pleasure that I am writing this letter to recommend Carol Macy for the part-time Theatre Teacher position. My name is Jaclynn Hart and I am the Programming Director at Hartford Performs. One of the main goals of Hartford Performs is to make learning in, through and about the arts more accessible to the Hartford Public School District. We do this is by partnering with local teaching artists and arts organizations to bring their arts integrated programs into the Hartford Public PK-8 Schools.

In my role at Hartford Performs, I've had the honor to work with Carol for the past three years through her remarkable work as a teaching artist on our roster. Being an arts provider with Hartford Performs means that you're working with all sorts of schools (neighborhood, magnet, Montessori) and navigating each buildings' cultures, themes and experience level with bringing arts into their classrooms. Carol as a teaching artist has done this without fail. Her down to earth style and creative approach instantly creates a safe and supportive learning community where all learners feel valued and celebrated. Her programs are rich in content and she works hard to ensure her lessons meet the student's learning needs.

This year, in addition to being an arts provider on the Hartford Performs roster, Carol was also accepted into the Hartford Performs Arts Leader Program. This program was designed for master teaching artists that have extensive experience teaching their art form along with arts integrated programs and are now looking to develop/refine professional development workshops for classroom teachers. We only accepted five teaching artists and we were thrilled to have Carol be one of them. She offers so much knowledge, integrity and creativity to this program. She works hard on developing her own workshop but also asks meaningful questions to support her peer's growth. Having the opportunity to work with Carol in this capacity makes it very clear she is truly a lifelong educator and learner.

Carol's passion for teaching runs deep and I was thrilled to hear she is planning to apply for a theatre teaching position. I respect her work and passion immensely and I know she would be an asset to your school. If you would like any further details on my experiences with Carol or her candidacy, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jaclynn Hart", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Jaclynn Hart
Programming Director
Hartford Performs
860-249-8672
ihart@hartfordperforms.org