We are seeking 1-2 SFU Masters or PhD students as research assistants for our Art for Social Change (ASC!) Project (http://art-for-social-change.ca/).

The ASC! Project brings together artists, scholars, students and change makers from diverse public and private sectors to better understand how arts-based, participatory, community-engaged practices are evolving in Canada, as well as to provide information, opportunities for exchange, and resources for both practitioners and those interested to learn more about the field.

The project is a collaboration among multiple universities and community organizations across Canada; our goals include building human networks and cross-sector awareness of the benefits of arts-infused practices in a wide range of social change contexts.

The specific tasks will vary but may include:

- Assisting with art for social change research
- Disseminating research progress and project updates to the public via our blog, Facebook and Twitter
- Online community building and engagement with other social change organizations
- Assisting with the development and publication of an eBook on art for social change in Canada
- Maintaining a database of international art for social change organizations
- Populating, maintaining, and updating ASCI/ICASC website via Drupal CMS
- Assisting other team members with administrative tasks and projects as necessary
- Attending team meetings (schedule varies)

Qualifications:

- Interest in the arts and culture sector and social change work across Canada
- Familiarity with arts-based and/or qualitative research methods
- Ability to effectively summarize complex information
- Ability to work and problem-solve independently
- Excellent oral and written communication skills
- Excellent teamwork skills

The following qualifications are assets but not required:

- Experience as an artist/performer
- Experience working in distributed teams
- Familiarity with social media platforms, Microsoft Office, and Google Apps
- Familiarity with updating graphics and other content in websites
- Ability to work with Photoshop and Illustrator to create and optimize graphics
- Bilingualism (English/French)

Start date: September 6, 2016 (negotiable)
Location: SFU Harbour Centre
Hours: 12-16 hours/week

Please submit a cover letter, your resume and a copy of your transcript (an unofficial transcript is fine) to: Judith Marcuse, Principal Investigator, at judith_marcuse@sfu.ca