

Community Champion

Are you an educator, designer, engineer or multidisciplinary maker who cares about empowering others to learn by doing? Are you someone who understands and appreciates the value of hands-on education and experimentation? If so, the Maker Auto team is looking for you. Starting in May, we will be converting a decommissioned auto rickshaw into a mobile platform for short, project-based workshops throughout Mumbai and the surrounding area. We have assembled a small team of excited makers from the Makers Asylum to replace the auto's engine, add secure toolboxes and install some crazy doors. The project is really starting to gain momentum. The next step will be designing a series of short 1-3 day workshops and classes; this is where we need some more help.

We are looking for a community outreach and curriculum design leader to help us reach the most people in the most meaningful ways possible. The ultimate goal of the project will be to extend the reach and impact of the Makers Asylum by offering free workshops on art, design thinking, DIY making, hacking and tinkering. Each workshop will be conducted in partnership with another community group, organization or nonprofit in the city, and will be designed specifically to fit their mission. For instance, if we are working with a neighborhood association, we might build public furniture or a playground. If we are working with a music school the workshop may focus on building a large collaborative musical instrument. The goal is to do one project each week for the first few months. We need to generate ideas quickly.

For more information you can reach out to Vaibhav Chhabra (vaibhav@makersasylum.com) or Coby Unger (auto@cobyungerdesign.com) or stop by the Makers Asylum.