

Academy of Magical Arts – Hollywood, California

General Manager/COO

About the Club

Founded in 1963, The Academy of Magical Arts, is situated in glamorous Hollywood, California, the entertainment capital of the World. The Academy of Magical Arts ("AMA") is a unique Club boasting an international reputation hosting magical performances in a world class dining and entertainment venue. The Academy's clubhouse is the storied Magic Castle whose various rooms have hosted the magical world's most famous magicians. The AMA history is intertwined with entertainers from Harry Houdini to the more contemporary Penn and Teller. Its magical members are some of the most celebrated entertainers in the world.

The Magic Castle facility is presently under Covid – 19 restrictions. It is serving the membership via a "to go" menu and hosting several outdoor events per month for its members. Magic performances are being held online and have been well received. When open, the storied club has entertainment and dining venues on two levels serving its membership and their guests. The Club has one of the highest food and beverage volumes per square foot of any club in America and is typically open year-round for dining and performances. The Academy offers evening magical performances, shows and dinner seven nights a week with weekend brunches. In addition, the Club hosts magical instruction and development for junior magicians.

About the Position

The General Manager/Chief Operating Officer (GM/COO) is responsible for driving all Club operations in pursuit of excellence at Academy of Magical Arts, consistent with the direction and policies established with the Board of Directors.

Reporting to the Board of Directors, the GM/COO is responsible for driving the business plan for the Club both short term and strategically. The GM/COO will oversee senior management and control of club operations to attain the agreed upon levels of excellence consistent with desired financial results. This includes partnering with and directing the Controller to establish the Club's annual business plan, and corresponding operating and capital budgets, subject to approval by the Board of Directors. He or she is expected to coordinate and direct all management functions of the Club and work in concert with the Board of Directors to assist them with development of business strategy, policies, programs, and events. The GM/COO will consult with the Board, and/or advisory committee chairs as appropriate on matters of significance to the Club. He or she will be responsible for spearheading the future course of the Club and implementing a living, strategic planning process while also delivering high quality in the Club's products and services to ensure maximum member and guest satisfaction and will endeavor to ensure an atmosphere of hospitality, friendliness and goodwill.

Compensation: The Club will offer a competitive compensation plan, along with standard benefits.

About the Ideal Candidate

The ideal candidate will have a minimum of five years of progressively more responsible Food and Beverage management or luxury hospitality positions leading up to a Chief Executive position at a club, hotel or resort ideally of similar scale. Ideal experience is to have performed in high end, year-round operations. He or she will have a professional track record of achievement and relative employment stability. The selected candidate will have a strong track record in shaping and leading excellent food and beverage programming and member-focused service and has successfully implemented robust training programs in their past work that have resulted in consistent, professional service.

He or she will have strong financial understanding based in experience and relative to restaurant and entertainment operations, experience in building and expertly managing budgets and expenses as resources for a successful long term business plan.

A college graduate is preferred as is a Certified Club Manager certification.

Apply for This Position

Interested candidates should complete the online candidate profile form and submit a compelling cover letter and resume for consideration to DENEHY Club Thinking Partners at http://denehyctp.com/apply-for-a-position/. If you have any questions or to recommend a candidate, please contact Karen Alexander by email at <u>karen@denehyctp.com</u>.

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