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## **Aircraft Fiberglass and Sheet Metal Body Finisher**

Van's Aircraft - Aurora, OR, USA

**Compensation: \$20 to \$23 Hourly**

**Employment Type: Full-Time**

Van's Aircraft is the worldwide leader in the production of kit aircraft. We have an opening for a Fiberglass & Airframe Finisher with hands-on experience in fiberglass fitting/wet layup/finish work and preparation of fiberglass and sheet metal surfaces for paint. Experience in auto body finish work and/or aircraft fiberglass and sheet metal work will be considered. Willingness to learn and the ability to analyze and solve problems is required.

### **Essential responsibilities include, but are not limited to:**

- Reading, comprehending, and executing technical build instructions and manufacturing processes documents
- Use of a variety of hand and power tools such as sanding blocks, grinders, orbital sanders, drills and cutters
- Use of autobody fillers
- Application of non-decorative finishes including high-build primer
- Fabricating and preparing fiberglass parts for assembly including wet layup, sanding, trimming, and finishing
- Preparing fiberglass and sheet metal surfaces for primer and paint
- Work with painter and other personnel to mask structures in preparation for paint
- Maintaining a clean and organized work area
- Excellent attention to detail
- Continually assess your work for quality

### **Competencies**

- Ability to identify required personal protective equipment for the work area and tasks being performed
- Ability to identify the most efficient tool and process for a task
- Ability to work safely with fiberglass, resins, and various solvents/chemicals
- Works well individually and as a team member

**Education/Experience**

- One or more years of related experience
- High school diploma or equivalent

**Preferred Education/Experience**

- Two or more years of body-shop preparation/finish work
- RV aircraft builder experience is a plus, but not required

No phone calls, please. To apply, please submit your resume and cover letter to [jobs@vansaircraft.com](mailto:jobs@vansaircraft.com).

**About Van's Aircraft:**

Van's Aircraft is the world-leading manufacturer of kit aircraft. Built on a proud heritage, the company is the market leader in the experimental-kit aircraft market, producing more kits than any other company in the world since 1972. Van's is experiencing record sales and growth and so we're expanding and enhancing our team. By the end of 2021, more than 11,000 RV kits had been completed and flown, and thousands more are currently under construction. Completion rates currently average about 1.5 per day. RVs are flying in more than 45 different countries and kits have shipped to more than sixty. From their humble beginnings on a small farm in Oregon in the early '70s, these wonderful airplanes have achieved a global following. And their popularity is not the result of any superior marketing campaign. Rather, they are popular because they fly so well and bring so much pleasure to their builders, who can't help but tell their friends (and take them for a ride, of course). After 50 years Van's Aircraft is solvent, strong, and alive with new ideas. The future presents plenty of opportunities and challenges, and we intend to meet them the way Dick VanGrunsven did when he first built the company: with honesty, practicality, diligence, and imagination. Join us in that mission!