



Music Association of Minnetonka (M.A.M.) Chamber Choir Accompanist – part-time position

General Description

The Music Association of Minnetonka is a non-profit musical community that has 10 performing ensembles, including choirs for ages 8 – 80, plus a band and two orchestras for adults. The Chamber Choir is the ensemble for young women in grades 9 – 12. This choir rehearses and performs great choral music at the highest level of proficiency. The ensemble is internationally recognized and stands out for its “purity of sound and clear blend and intonation.” (Washington Post, July 2012) The Chamber Choir Accompanist will collaborate with the Choral Director, Dr. Roger Satrang Hoel, to provide exceptional training in a respectful, supportive and enriching environment.

Technical Skills

- Highly proficient keyboard skills
- In-depth knowledge of both the accompaniment and choral parts
- Knowledge of performance practice in all styles relevant to the selected repertoire
- Ability to play any combination of vocal parts at any time
- Excellent sight reading and improvisation skills
- Assist with rehearsal directing on an as-needed basis

Communication Skills

- Adept at following the Choral Director and anticipating instructions.
- Possess the capacity to be alert at all times to the choir members' needs and respond accordingly during rehearsals/performance.
- Exceptional ability to connect with, and motivate, young choir members.
- Ability to take direction well – both verbal and visual.

Other

- Strong commitment to the M.A.M. mission
- Dependable and punctual
- Flexible individual who can accept direction and constructive criticism
- Sense of humor and desire to have fun while playing great music

Minimum Requirements

- 15+ years of piano/keyboard experience
- Previous experience as a Choral Accompanist
- Flexible schedule that permits attendance at all rehearsals and performances: rehearsals are held September – June, on Thursday nights from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m., and Saturday mornings from 9:00 – 11:00 a.m., at the Arts Center on 7 in Minnetonka, MN; there are approximately 20 performances each season.
- Ability to participate in two weekend choir camps (one fall, one spring), three days each
- Ability to travel one to two weeks to an annual choral festival destination, either domestic or international

Application deadline: Friday, August 7, 2015

Submit applications via mail or e-mail to:

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