

## Job Announcement

The Santa Rosa Children's Chorus is a nonprofit, independent 501(c)(3) organization which was founded in 1984 as a non-denominational community chorus serving the greater Sonoma County area. Weekly rehearsals are held at the Episcopal Church of the Incarnation in Santa Rosa. The 70-member choir is divided into three groups; Training, Intermediate & Concert, according to age level and ability for children ages 7 – 15. Choristers learn the basic fundamentals of music theory, vocal training and performance skills. The Santa Rosa Children's Chorus is an equal employment opportunity employer. Successful candidates must pass a background check and have legal status to work in the USA.

### **Position: Director of the Training & Intermediate Groups**

To Apply: Send cover letter, resume, three employment references with telephone and email contact information. Send materials to:

Santa Rosa Children's Chorus  
P.O. Box 9389  
Santa Rosa, CA 95405

More Info: [www.srchildrenchorus.com](http://www.srchildrenchorus.com)

Position: Choir Director for the Training & Intermediate Groups

Reports to: Artistic Director / Board of Directors

Employee Status: Regular, part-time. 3-5 hours per week

Current rehearsal times are Mondays 4:00 -5:30 pm. August – early June

Compensation: \$35-\$45 per hour. Pay commensurate with experience.

Start Date: Officially at the start of the Fall Session: August 22, 2011.

Education Level: Bachelor Degree in Music: Performance or Music Education  
(or commensurate professional experience)

A successful candidate for this position:

- Must possess a passion for working with young people, and be committed to instilling a love for music. Candidates must be able to work with children across the full range of ages and music capabilities, with a strong knowledge of vocal production, vocal/choral technique and pedagogy.
- Ability to teach sight-singing using the solfège method is preferred. Keyboard skills are an advantage. (An accompanist is available for most rehearsals and performances.)
- Must be a strong and dynamic leader, with the ability to work in tandem with our Artistic Director, families and Board of Directors. Current Artistic Director will continue to work with the advanced level (Concert Group.)
- Must possess a clear, pitchful singing voice (and an ability to sing with a straight tone) for the purpose of modeling for the children.

## Responsibilities:

- Lead a one and a half hour rehearsal per week for two of our ensembles: Training Group (approximately 25 members) and Intermediate Group (approximately 15 members.) Choirs meet at the Church of the Incarnation in downtown Santa Rosa. Schedule: 4-5:30 pm Mondays.
- Programming, scheduling and organization for Training & Intermediate ensembles, which includes maintaining a music education and performance program to benefit our members and our organization. Repertoire to include traditional children's choral music, including folk, classical, and seasonal holiday repertoire. Additional community performances may be scheduled as desired. Attendance at all Chorus functions is expected.
- Maintain strong relationships with our members, their families, staff, and the Board of Directors.
- Actively participate with our Board of Directors in promoting and developing our organization, following and continuing the Chorus's Vision, Mission and Guiding Principles.

**VISION:** "Santa Rosa Children's Chorus: Teaching the joy of singing in a community setting that fosters self confidence, teamwork, and a lifelong appreciation for music."

**MISSION:** SRCC is an auditioned choir serving and uplifting the greater Sonoma County community. We strive to build both musical skills and appreciation, in support of children's overall development.

**GUIDING PRINCIPLES:** Our program offers children ages 7-15 quality instruction emphasizing:

- Fundamentals of music theory
- A wide variety of musical styles and genres
- Achieving one's personal best

**Character:** We expect our choir members to value and demonstrate these characteristics:

- Respect
- Commitment
- Teamwork

**Performance Skills:** We develop performance skills that build:

- Confidence
- Professionalism
- Focus or Self-discipline

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