



The Rainbow Chorale of Delaware

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Job Description: Artistic Director (Part Time)

Reports to: Board of Directors

Organization Summary:

The Rainbow Chorale of Delaware is a fully inclusive gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and heterosexual friends chorus. We have been providing quality choral music to the Delaware Valley since 1999. The Rainbow Chorale consists of a non-auditioned choir of 50-60 singers and PRISM, a chamber choir of 12-16 voices auditioned from the membership. Please see our website, www.therainbowchorale.org, for more information.

Position Summary:

The Artistic Director (“AD”) is primarily responsible for the musical and artistic direction of the Chorale. The AD must be able to plan and execute all of the music each season, conduct weekly rehearsals, and conduct performances, as well as plan and execute recordings and tours. The AD must be able to link the vision of the Chorale with its mission to ensure that the Chorale continues its reputation for presenting the finest in SATB choral music to a diverse audience. In addition to musical duties, the AD must maintain a visible, positive image nationally and locally. Likewise, it is critical that the AD instill a strong sense of unity and purpose throughout the organization.

Primary Duties and Responsibilities:

1. Direct weekly rehearsals and performances of the Chorale.
2. Direct and/or coordinate regular rehearsals of the ensemble chorus PRISM.
3. Chair the Performance Committee which provides input into the musical selection and performances.
4. Work with the accompanist to plan and provide the appropriate rehearsals and performances.
5. Participate in the membership retreat.
6. Perform for additional events as approved by the board.

Qualifications

1. Minimum Bachelors Degree in a relevant area, such as: Conducting, Music Education, Music Performance or Church Music.
2. Ability to sight sing a cappella and sing any part.
3. Ability to play the piano.
4. Knowledge of all voice-types, and appropriate vocal technique.
5. Knowledge of both classical and vernacular styles.

Personal and Professional Characteristics

1. Ability to maintain integrity and high level of musical standards.
2. Ability to train and instruct members with diverse musical backgrounds.
3. Ability to continue to challenge the chorale musically.
4. Ability to direct a large group & maintain motivation and discipline.
5. Ability to work effectively with the RCD Board, volunteers and Accompanist.
6. Energetic and enthusiastic leadership.
7. Support for the chorale publicly/open to new venues.
8. An appreciation for the GLBT community, equality, struggle, and celebration.
9. Work with other arts organizations in the community.



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Annual time commitment is late August through June 30.

Position begins January 2009. Compensation is commensurate with experience.

Application materials:

Please send the following to the address listed at the bottom of the posting.

1. Cover letter,
2. Résumé and/or Curriculum Vitae,
3. DVD or CD illustrative of choral conducting.

Deadline for Application: October 1, 2008

Selected candidates will be interviewed by the Search Committee and subject to live auditions with the chorale.

Send application materials to:

RCD Search
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