

MUSIC DIRECTOR

Job Description: Music Director

Performing Arts Academy & After-School Programs

Position Overview

We are seeking an experienced and enthusiastic Music Director to lead, inspire, and develop the music component of our Performing Arts Academy and after-school programs. The Music Director will oversee all aspects of musical instruction, vocal and instrumental training, and live performance preparation for youth and young adults. This role involves creative collaboration, curriculum development, and fostering a passion for music in students of varying skill levels.

Key Responsibilities

1. Program Leadership and Curriculum Development:

- Develop and implement a comprehensive music curriculum for the Performing Arts Academy and after-school programs.
- Tailor lesson plans and workshops to accommodate diverse age groups, skill levels, and learning styles.
- Introduce students to various musical styles, techniques, and history to foster a well-rounded musical education.

2. Instruction and Rehearsals:

- Provide vocal coaching for solo and ensemble performances.
- Direct music rehearsals for productions, showcases, and community performances.
- Teach music theory, ear training, and sight-reading as part of program instruction.

3. Artistic Collaboration:

- Collaborate with choreographers, directors, and teaching artists to integrate music into performances and productions.
- Assist in arranging and adapting music to meet the creative needs of productions.
- Select appropriate repertoire for performances, considering students' abilities and program goals.

4. Performance Oversight:

- Lead musical direction for productions, including live accompaniment or working with instrumentalists.
- Ensure musical quality and professionalism in all performances.
- Organize and prepare students for auditions, recitals, and showcases.

5. Program Management:

- Coordinate schedules for rehearsals and classes with the broader program calendar.
- Maintain and manage music equipment, materials, and resources.
- Work closely with program staff to support recruitment, student engagement, and parent communication.

Qualifications

- Bachelor's degree in Music, Music Education, or a related field (or equivalent professional experience).
- Proven experience as a music director, teacher, or performer, ideally with youth or in an educational setting.
- Strong piano skills; ability to accompany rehearsals and performances preferred.
- Proficiency in vocal coaching and/or instrumental instruction.
- Familiarity with arranging and adapting music for diverse ensembles.
- Excellent communication, organizational, and leadership skills.

Preferred Qualifications

- Experience working in theater or musical theater productions.
- Knowledge of sound equipment and recording techniques is a plus.
- Passion for inspiring and mentoring young musicians.

Schedule and Commitment

- Flexible schedule to accommodate after-school programming, evening rehearsals, and weekend performances.
- Seasonal peaks in workload during performance preparation periods.

Compensation

- Competitive hourly rate, commensurate with experience. Starting rate for the music director position is \$35/per hour.

How to Apply

Interested candidates should submit a resume and cover letter to starboundoffice@yahoo.com