

Opening for Music Director

Bainbridge Chorale – Bainbridge Island, WA

The Bainbridge Chorale, (BC) of Bainbridge Island, Washington, is seeking a Music Director beginning with its Fall 2010 concert season.

Bainbridge Island, population 23,000, is a 35-minute ferry ride across Puget Sound from Seattle. This vibrant community is proud of its flourishing arts and humanities environment. Further information may be viewed at: <http://artshum.org/joomla/content/view/17> and www.ci.bainbridge-isl.wa.us.

BC is dedicated to expanding the musical experience and education of its members and audiences through awareness and appreciation of the choral arts. We strive to enlighten, enrich, and entertain our community as we share the joy of choral music from a variety of traditions, cultures, and eras.

BC is a community chorus of approximately 85 auditioned, volunteer members. Since 1971, BC has been serving the surrounding Kitsap County with an annual season of three diverse programs, including the principal choral masterworks. BC occasionally collaborates with other musical organizations, and frequently participates in a variety of fundraising and community outreach events. BC rehearses on Monday evenings. There is a separate children's chorus, the BC Young Singers, with its own director. More information on BC can be found at www.bainbridgechorale.org.

The Music Director reports to the Board of Trustees and provides the artistic leadership for BC. Building on BC's reputation for excellence, the Music Director will establish standards of performance, producing creative and challenging concert programs, within budget guidelines. The Music Director will inspire, educate, and motivate BC's singers. He/she will audition BC singers, and recruit/employ/rehearse guest soloists and musicians. He/she will prepare BC singers for concerts at regularly scheduled weekly rehearsals, additional sectionals, and dress rehearsals, and conduct all BC concerts.

Qualified applicants will possess a comprehensive range of choral and instrumental conducting experience, with extensive knowledge of choral repertoire, both secular and sacred. He/she must exhibit high performance standards and an ability to communicate vocal production techniques to BC singers. Community outreach and interaction are expected. An advanced degree is preferred, and ACDA membership required. The position is part time, on a contract basis. Compensation will be commensurate with experience, with no benefits included.

Interested persons whose experience and qualifications meet the requirements are asked to submit a cover letter and resume to info@bainbridgechorale.org (att: Angela de Oliveira). Please include references, representative programs, and a DVD with samples of rehearsal and performance work, along with an explanatory description of the video material. Mailing address for hard copy materials: P. O. Box 10572, Bainbridge Island, WA 98110.

Applications will be accepted until November 30, 2009. Interviews will commence in January 2010, and audition rehearsals will be held mid-April 2010. A final decision will be made by May 1, 2010. All applications are strictly confidential. BC is an equal opportunity employer.