

THE
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COLLECTIVE

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Community celebrating excellence, diversity, and lifelong participation in choral music.

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Greensboro Youth Chorus

Music Explorers Conductor & Assistant Apprentice Choir Conductor

Reports to: Greensboro Youth Chorus Director

Summary

Greensboro Youth Chorus is dedicated to helping students develop their musical talents, nurturing their love for music, and creating a strong sense of community through the joy of singing together. We provide a positive and supportive environment where children can learn, grow, and express themselves as talented musicians, amazing performers, and exceptional individuals.

With choirs for grades K-12, we help youth explore their love of singing. Our students learn music-reading, sight-singing, and choral techniques. We perform a wide range of repertoire from diverse places, times, and composers. Through music we foster cultural awareness, community involvement, collaboration, and friendship.

The Music Explorers Conductor and Assistant Apprentice Choir Conductor helps The Choral Arts Collective achieve our vision of community that celebrates excellence, diversity, and lifelong participation in choral music. The Conductor is an energetic and enthusiastic musician with a passion for education and particularly for teaching elementary music students. The Conductor will teach the members of Greensboro Youth Chorus not only music and singing, but also to foster inner qualities such as personal and group responsibility, independence, discipline, commitment, teamwork, and self-esteem.

The Conductor will be responsible for teaching an age-appropriate music and singing curriculum to students enrolled in Music Explorers (grades K-2), preparing concerts during the season as appropriate, and communicating with parents/guardians of Greensboro Youth Chorus members regarding all aspects of rehearsal and performances.

During the 2025-2026 Season, the Conductor will also serve as Assistant Apprentice Choir Conductor (grades 3-5), with the expectation of promotion to Apprentice Choir Conductor. They will assist The Greensboro Youth Chorus Director in leading weekly Apprentice Choir rehearsals and be responsible for conducting a portion of the season's repertoire.

This role is primarily focused on leading Music Explorers and serving as Assistant Apprentice Choir Conductor. We are especially interested in candidates who bring additional strengths to the role. While not required, candidates with strong piano proficiency and accompanying experience may have the opportunity to expand their role and receive increased compensation. However, we want to emphasize that accompanying is not a requirement for the position, and we encourage all qualified conducting applicants to apply.

The Conductor reports to The Greensboro Youth Chorus Director regarding curriculum development, musical collaborations, and artistic aspects of the choir. Furthermore, they work closely with the Executive Director regarding financial and organizational aspects of Greensboro Youth Chorus and The Choral Arts Collective, including marketing, registration, and tuition.

The Choral Arts Collective is an equal opportunity employer.

Primary Responsibilities

Curriculum Development

- Develop and teach an age-appropriate music and singing curriculum for Music Explorers that:
 - Teaches the fundamentals of singing (vocal exploration, pitch-matching, basics of vocal technique).
 - Teaches the fundamentals of music literacy and aural skills.
 - Explores music and phrasing through creative movement.
 - Prepares students to sing in a choral ensemble.
- Select repertoire appropriate to the level of the ensemble that reinforces the curriculum.
- Research and acquire repertoire that represents a broad range of historical, cultural, and musical genres.

Music Direction and Conducting

- Prepare and conduct weekly rehearsals of the Music Explorers (grades K-2) from September to May.
- Assist The Greensboro Youth Chorus Director with weekly rehearsals of the Apprentice Choir from September to May.
- Prepare and conduct Music Explores on semi-annual concerts featuring all the choirs of the Greensboro Youth Chorus.
- Conduct Apprentice Choir selections, to be determined with the Greensboro Youth Chorus Director, on Greensboro Youth Chorus's semi-annual concerts.
- Prepare and/or conduct performances in the community, such as NC Sings (October), with Bel Canto Company (December), PICCF (March), and other collaborative, outreach, and community events as scheduled.
- Supervise and mentor conducting interns (when applicable).
- (Optional) Accompany rehearsals and performances if qualified, with increased compensation for this additional role.

Strategic Growth

- Be a public face of Greensboro Youth Chorus and assist with efforts to increase impact, presence in the community, and enrollment.
- Ensure that Greensboro Youth Chorus programming and operations are planned and implemented in accordance with the vision, mission, and strategic plan of The Choral Arts Collective and effective in meeting the educational and performance goals of The Choral Arts Collective and Greensboro Youth Chorus.
- Plan 2026 Summer Choir Camp(s) (A separate contract will be provided in spring 2026 for compensation for the execution of said camps.)

Qualifications

- Bachelor's degree or higher in music, preferably in choral conducting and/or music education.
- Experience conducting youth choirs.
- Strong organizational skills.
- A positive attitude, passion for music education, and a respect for differences of race, ethnicity, age, gender identity and expression, sexual orientation, religion, ability, and socio-economic circumstances.
- Excellent communication skills.
- Ability to work independently and to collaborate effectively with colleagues.
- (Optional) Proficiency in piano accompanying is a plus but not required.

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About The Choral Arts Collective

The vision of The Choral Arts Collective is a community that celebrates excellence, diversity, and lifelong participation in choral music. Building on more than 40 years as pillars of the Greensboro performing arts community, The Collective was established in 2021 through the merger of Bel Canto Company and Greensboro Youth Chorus. It was formed out of the shared desire of the two non-profits to build an intergenerational and equitable choral organization serving the Piedmont Triad and beyond. We believe that providing excellent choral programming – ranging from music education to professional concerts – creates accessible and lifelong sources of enjoyment, fulfillment, and artistic expression for all, regardless of age, education, experience, or background.

Our mission is simple: to create engaging, inclusive, and entertaining choral experiences. Currently, The Choral Arts Collective includes three ensembles to carry out our mission:

Bel Canto Company

Founded in 1982, Bel Canto Company is a vocal ensemble of professional musicians, long recognized as the Triad's premier choir.

Greensboro Youth Chorus

Founded in 1987, Greensboro Youth Chorus is comprised of four different choirs for students in grades K through 12, dedicated to teaching music and life skills through choral performance.

Gate City Voices

Founded in 2022, Gate City Voices is an opportunity for community singers in search of distinctive performance opportunities to sing exciting, largescale repertoire with Bel Canto Company.

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