

Position: Choral Apprentice 2021/2022 Season

Shallaway's Apprenticeship Program provides scholarships as well as mentored leadership and collaborative experience to our own choristers each year. Our apprentices become an integral part of the teaching team and more importantly, these mentors are the most positive role models that the choristers could have. They act with a huge generosity of spirit, dedication, empathy, and initiative. Building a strong community is first and foremost in their minds.

Weekly Rehearsals

Rehearsal Set Up (To be done in conjunction with choristers who arrive early)

- Arrive 30 minutes in advance of rehearsal.
- Set up room in order of seating.
- Help younger choristers find their places and ensure they are in place 15 minutes prior to beginning of rehearsal.

Rehearsal Support

- In consultation with conductor and choral scholar, help lead warm ups and opening rehearsal routines.
- Sit in and sing/listen in the choir, offering musical support to choristers.
- Be mindful and support choristers who would benefit from social support and encouragement.
- In consultation with conductors, lead musical activities, sectional rehearsals, and/or theory/sightreading activities.

Rehearsal Clean Up

- Ensure chairs are re-ordered and room is returned to its original configuration. Check for garbage and left belongings.
- File absentee music as necessary.
- Ensure music stands and other materials are put away.

Concert Responsibilities

- Attend and offer support for all rehearsals, dress rehearsals and concerts for the ensemble assigned.
- Help create concert seating plans.
- Be prepared to accept supervisory and/or performing responsibilities for performances
- Arrive 45 minutes prior to concert and be prepared to stay afterwards for preparation and/or discussion.

Overall Responsibilities

- Be present at all rehearsals, camps, events, tours, and performances for their designated group and if unable, inform the office in advance.
- Assist the registrar where required.
- Attend tour for designated group.
- Learn all music assigned to designated group.
- Report identified issues to the director as needed.

Qualifications

We are looking for motivated, enthusiastic, and energetic choristers with a combination of leadership experience and a minimum of one year experience as a Shallaway Youth Choir member.

Previous volunteer experience would be considered an asset. Standard First Aid & CPR would be considered an asset.

Applicants, please apply online by the deadline of August 27, 2021

PLEASE NOTE

As we navigate the financial impacts of the pandemic, this year we will need to operate our apprentice program on a volunteer basis. As a result, there will not be a stipend towards tuition.