

SEATTLE OPERA.

CURRICULUM & VOCAL PEDAGOGY SPECIALIST

Seattle Opera is accepting applications for the position of Curriculum and Vocal Pedagogy Specialist. This is full-time, exempt position reports to the Director of Education and Community Engagement.

SCOPE AND PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTABILITIES

Curriculum & Vocal Pedagogy Specialist is responsible for developing and overseeing content and instruction for the youth vocal training programs of Seattle Opera, including but not limited to: Youth Opera Chorus, Teen Opera Programs, and Camps and Workshops. Additionally, the Curriculum & Vocal Pedagogy Specialist will serve as a collaborative resource in the area of music instruction and engagement for school and adult programs.

The ideal individual will possess initiative, a collaborative spirit, excellent written and verbal communication skills, and the ability to handle multiple programs and projects of varying natures simultaneously. Success in this role requires someone who is imaginative, highly motivated and who can work in a self-directed manner.

Members of the Seattle Opera Education & Community Engagement Department reflect and inspire creativity, foster lifelong learning, provide multiple entry points to the world of opera, facilitate meaningful exchange and build equity and access to the arts.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Lead the growth and development of youth vocal training programs, including Youth Opera Chorus, Teen Opera Players, and Teen Vocal Studio, and other music instruction programs
- Choose repertoire, and create curriculum and pedagogical approach for youth programs
- Work with Community Programs Manager to develop new adult programs, including Artful Aging, Opera in the Making, and other community events
- Work with Director of Education & Community Engagement and other Seattle Opera staff to develop additional programs that meet community needs and fulfill elements of Seattle Opera's Long Range Plan
- Work with Program Managers and other Seattle Opera staff to conceive and execute

- programming and special events for families and children
- Select and engage staff and teaching artists to deliver programs, in conjunction with Director of Education & Community Engagement
 - In conjunction with Program Managers, design and implement Professional Development workshops and training sessions for teaching artists
 - Acts as the liaison between teaching artists and the Education department regarding music curriculum content and teaching practices
 - Provide musical direction/conducting for youth vocal training programs, as needed
 - Other duties as assigned

CONTACT

Qualified candidates are invited to submit a cover letter and resume by email to jobs@seattleopera.org with “Curriculum & Vocal Pedagogy Specialist” in the subject line. No phone calls, please.

QUALIFICATIONS/SKILLS

- Master's Degree in Vocal Performance, Choral Conducting, or similar
- Minimum 7 years successful experience teaching classroom/choral music, and/or private voice
- Proficiency with IPA, Language Diction (minimum: French, English, German, Italian)
- Comprehensive knowledge of vocal anatomy and scientifically current vocal pedagogy
- Curriculum design & implementation
- Piano proficiency
- Knowledge of opera, music theatre, choral repertoire, and art song/Lieder
- Familiarity with various music education methods (e.g. Suzuki, Orff, Kodály, Dalcroze)
- Excellent classroom management and presentation skills
- Experience supervising professional staff, volunteers, and students
- Cultural sensitivity, with a commitment to arts advocacy and providing equitable access to the arts

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

Ability to work some nights and weekends.

Position requires incumbent to lift 20 pounds or more on an occasional basis — with or without assistance.

COMPENSATION

Salary DOE. Seattle Opera offers a generous benefit package including medical, dental, life and disability insurance, as well as free parking.

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