



**Madison Youth Choirs is seeking conductors for its 2018-2019 season.** These positions are part-time and are a one-year appointment with the possibility of continuing after the first year.

#### **MYC CONDUCTORS:**

- Carefully and thoughtfully choose music in consultation with colleagues and fitting with our season theme
- Plan vibrant rehearsals using the CMP (Comprehensive Musicianship Through Performance) framework
- Think reflectively about their teaching
- Possess a high level of musicianship and skill
- Put student learning and experiences first and value process over product
- Meet several times during the season to share ideas, plan future seasons, and consider key issues
- Embrace collaboration as a key value and work collegially with other MYC staff
- Communicate thoughtfully with parents when needed
- Represent MYC in our community
- Look to their colleagues for guidance and support
- Have a passion for student learning and help to create a culture that welcomes everyone
- Are part of a consensus-driven organization with a clearly defined mission and philosophy
- Report to the Artistic/Executive Director

#### **ABOUT MADISON YOUTH CHOIRS**

Madison Youth Choirs (MYC) is a community of youth finding and sharing their voices through the study and performance of diverse choral music, enriching their hearts, minds, and lives. MYC's innovative approach to music education inspires local, regional, and international communities to embrace the transformative power of choral performance. The oldest youth choir organization in Wisconsin, MYC welcomes singers of all ability levels, challenging them to learn more than just notes and rhythms. Our singers explore the history, context, and heart of the music, becoming "expert noticers," using music as a lens to discover the world. MYC serves more than 1000 young people, ages 7-18, in a wide variety of choral programs.

In addition to two public concert series, MYC hosts the annual Madison Boychoir Festival, leads a school and community choral program serving hundreds of economically diverse students, leads a vibrant intergenerational choir blending the voices of teenage singers and senior residents of Capitol Lakes retirement community, and conducts an annual spring tour of schools and retirement centers, performing for more than 7,000 students and senior citizens annually. MYC choirs have performed internationally, most recently as part of the invitation-only Aberdeen International Youth Festival in Aberdeen, Scotland. MYC also collaborates with professional arts organizations including the Madison Symphony Orchestra, Madison Ballet, and Madison Opera, while continually supporting and recognizing the work of public schools and music educators throughout the area.

#### **QUALIFICATIONS**

- Teaching experience in music
- Expertise in teaching voice
- Enthusiasm and skill in working with singers ages 7-18.

## HOW TO APPLY

Send a resume and cover letter electronically to [mross@madisonyouthchoirs.org](mailto:mross@madisonyouthchoirs.org). References are not needed at this time; finalists will be asked for three references but written letters will not be needed.

Some candidates will be invited for an interview and to lead a short rehearsal with singers.

**Please send materials by May 15 for best consideration. Finalists will be invited to interview and teach a sample lesson on Saturday, June 9, times TBD. Please let us know your availability on that date when you apply.**