

Vocal Instructor

Highbridge Voices is an 'extended-day' music and academic program in the Highbridge section of the South Bronx. The mission of Highbridge Voices is to use the performing arts to inspire excellence in the lives of children, ages nine to seventeen, living or attending school in the Highbridge community. Each semester, a Singers made up of 9th-12th graders, a Chamber Choir made up of 7th-9th graders, and a Concert Choir made up of 4th-6th graders prepare a full-length concert comprised of classical, folk, Broadway, and popular choral music, performing in a number of different languages. This is the musical focal point of the program. Weekly, students spend fifteen hours in program related activities – choral rehearsals, music theory and history classes, and academic classes.

The vocal instructors are responsible for teaching voice to Singer and Chamber Choir students. Each student receives weekly twenty-minute individual voice lessons. Lessons should help develop basic vocal techniques (breathing, tone production, vowel shapes, and diction), basic musicianship skills, and rehearsal etiquette, as well as reinforce pronunciation and memorization of musical selections.

The instructor will teach one and/or two weekdays each week (days are flexible) from 4:00PM-7:00PM and may be occasionally called upon to assist in rehearsals with the Music Director. Vocal instructors are compensated at a rate of \$43.00 an hour and are paid as private contractors.

Qualifications

- Bachelor's degree in vocal pedagogy, music education with a vocal focus, or vocal performance
- Experience working with children from diverse backgrounds preferred
- Knowledge of teaching children's voices, and strong knowledge of solfege
- Experience with lesson planning
- All voice parts welcome to apply
- Active performers encouraged to apply

How to apply

Please send an email expressing your interest in the position to musicjobs@highbridgevoices.org with both your performing and teaching résumés attached as a .pdf or MS word document. In the subject line please write:

Vocal Instructor – YOUR LAST NAME

This position will remain open until filled. All properly submitted résumés will receive an email acknowledgement within two weeks. No calls please.

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