



Full Time Teaching Artist

Cantare Children's Choirs of Oakland provide tuition-free choral music residencies to over 3,000 students weekly in underserved Oakland schools. Cantare seeks to nurture a compassionate community across various social boundaries through the power of music, building lifelong connections with our students and their families. Cantare is an inter-generational organization that also supports two adult community choirs and an audition-free summer choir.

Cantare is seeking a dynamic, experienced music teacher to join our team of professional Teaching Artists in a full-time position. The Full time Teaching Artist will provide some input in determining teaching assignments each year, in consultation with the Director of Music Education and Director of Children's and Youth Choirs.

Hours:

- Weekly 40-min lessons for TK-5th grades conducted in a combination of schools sites (August through May)
- Two after-school choirs, one hour each every week (August through May)
- Special events on weekends/evenings, including Cantare Children's Choirs Fall and Spring concerts
- 2-week Cantare Summer Camp (June 2024)
- End-of-year culmination performances (format and dates TBD)
- Professional development sessions and staff meetings (dates/time upon agreement)

Job Duties:

- Prepare and teach weekly lessons and choir rehearsals (August through May)
- Prepare and teach lessons and choir rehearsals for Cantare summer camp (June)
- Build relationship with students by engaging school staff and its community
- Organize performances at school events, in collaboration with Cantare as well as school staff
- Represent Cantare with high standards of professionalism and punctuality
- Attend professional development sessions and staff meetings
- Complete administrative paperwork, student evaluations on time

Qualifications:

- B.A. or equivalent in music field
- Ability to effectively teach music in Spanish immersion classroom a strong plus
- Experience working with middle school students a plus
- Experience in Kodály and Orff music education preferred
- Experience working with students in economically disadvantaged communities
- Comfortable with materials from diverse traditions
- Vocal technique skills
- A commitment to artistic and educational excellence
- Encouraging, compassionate, and effective classroom management skills

Start Date: August 1, 2023

Compensation:

- \$66k to \$70k annually based upon experience
- Can be paid over an 11 or 12 month period
- Kaiser Health Care
- Vision and Dental coverage
- Opportunity to contribute to Roth IRA

Professional development opportunities are included, along with a budget for supplies, equipment, and access to libraries of music and materials. Teaching Artists receive support from Cantare's artistic and administrative staff. We have a dynamic team of Teaching Artists with diverse talents and experience who support one another, collaborate musically, and share materials. Visit www.cantareconvivo.org to learn more about our organization

Successful candidates will need to pass a background check. Cantare is an equal opportunity employer and values and supports a diverse and inclusive workplace. Vaccination against COVID-19 with up-to-date boosters is required.

Interested applicants should send the following to Conway Tan-Gregory, Director of Music Education, at conway@cantareconvivo.org. Applications will be reviewed until the position is filled.

- Cover letter
- Resume
- Two references upon request
- A video teaching sample, if possible