2024 STGCC Organ Scholar/Intern

The Saint Thomas Girl Chorister Course is looking to appoint an Organ Scholar/Intern for the 2024 Summer Course at Saint Thomas Choir School and Church in mid-town Manhattan. Applicants should be experienced organists and treble singers between the ages of 18-25. Preference will be given to candidates who are currently enrolled in a university music program and pursuing a music degree with an emphasis in organ or church music.

The Organ Scholar/Intern position is considered full-time, beginning at 12 noon on Thursday, July 18 and ending on Sunday, July 28, following the 3:00 pm evensong service. Housing will be provided at the Choir School from Thursday, July 18, 2024, through Sunday July 28, 2024. Meals will be provided in the dining hall with the course participants from lunch on Saturday through lunch on Sunday. All interns are expected to join the course for meals and to assist staff with residential life duties throughout the duration of the course. The Organ Scholar position will be tailored to fit the experience and aspirations of the Scholar.

Musical expectations & opportunities include but are not limited to:

• Participate and assist with the choristers at rehearsals and services throughout the course.
• Assist and observe Course Organists during rehearsals and services.
• Assist Guest Organist with overseeing course participant organ lessons and classes.
• Assist with any sectional rehearsals or remedial music learning sessions as needed.
• Oversee and direct daily compline services with the choristers assisted by course staff and choral scholars for the duration of the course.
• Advanced students will have the opportunity to play voluntaries at weekday services.

Residential Life Duties include but are not limited to:

• Attend daily staff meetings.
• Assist with chaperoning students on course outings.
• Attend to the needs and well-being of the girls during down time in the dorms.
• Complete other course tasks and errands for Course Faculty and staff as needed.

You will be paid a stipend of $500 for your work on the course and receive 1 organ lesson with our resident organist and 2 organ lessons with our guest organist during the week. If deemed appropriate, you may be asked to play a voluntary for one or more of the services. The organ scholar will rotate Residential Life Staff duties with the 2 course choral scholars.

Applicants are invited to apply by sending a CV together with a cover letter explaining their interest in the post and what they hope to achieve from and contribute to the course. The names and contact details of two references, one of which must be musical, should be provided. Applicants should also provide 2 contrasting samples of their playing. Video is preferred but we will also accept audio recordings. Materials should be emailed to girlscourse@choirschool.org no later than Monday, April 15, 2024 at 9:00 pm.