



JOB DESCRIPTION

Position: Violin Instructor/Strings Ensemble Director (Hourly)

Instruments: Must specialize in one of the following: Strings (Violin or Viola preferred)

Location: 3630 E 3rd St. Los Angeles, CA 90063 (East Los Angeles)

Reports to: Executive Director

Hours: Exact days/hours vary based on assignment; Private Lessons 30 mins; Ensemble Classes 1 hour

Compensation: \$25-35/hour, depending on experience and education

Desired Availability: Saturdays, Mondays & Tuesdays, with potential additional hours based on mutual agreement

MISSION

The Los Angeles Music and Art School (LAMusArt) is a nonprofit arts organization founded in 1945 that provides the community of East Los Angeles, specifically its K-12 student population, with affordable and equitable access to after-school, multidisciplinary arts programs. Our objective is to provide all students with equal opportunities to engage in the arts regardless of one's ethnicity, ability, gender, experience, or financial background because we believe arts engagement affords students vital tools and skills for success.

Programming at LAMusArt is provided year-round at both tuition-subsidized and tuition-free rates. This includes private music lessons and small group lessons in the visual arts, dance, and drama.

ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS

- Teach both private violin lessons and small ensembles classes to beginning and intermediate students
- Conduct Strings Ensembles
- Audition and select members of ensemble
- Select music to accommodate talents and abilities of the student group and/or individual to suit type of performance to be given
- Direct group at rehearsals and performances to achieve desired effects, such as tonal and harmonic balance, dynamics, rhythms, tempos, and shadings, utilizing knowledge of conducting techniques, music theory and harmony, range and characteristics of instruments, and talents of individual performers
- May transcribe musical compositions and melodic lines to adapt them to or create particular style for group
- Create and implement syllabus with VAPA integration
- Support, prepare and conduct student performances (Bi-annual concerts)
- Liaise with program staff in a timely matter to produce performances & events
- Maintain a safe and nurturing environment for students
- Track and maintain student attendance
- Create detailed substitute lesson plans and arrange for substitute coverage
- Other duties as assigned

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS

- Four-year undergraduate degree in music/music education or equivalent experience
- Excellent showmanship
- Previous experience conducting, arranging and teaching
- Comfort and familiarity with a diverse set of repertoire
- Demonstrated excellent musicianship and artistry as a teacher/performer
- Extensive knowledge of repertoire, curriculum and pedagogy
- Strong interpersonal and communication skills and the ability to work effectively as part of a team
- Interest and ability to be a motivational mentor and role model for students, parents and peers
- Punctual; attention to detail and deadlines
- Reliable transportation

DESIRED QUALIFICATIONS

- Experience working with children from diverse ethnic and economic backgrounds; exposure working in underserved communities
- Experience working with other teaching artists and delegating tasks and responsibilities
- Bilingual in Spanish preferred

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

- Cover Letter
- Résumé/Curriculum Vitae
- Class Syllabus/course outline sample
- LAMusArt employment application
- 5 – 10 minutes teaching sample video
- 5 – 10 minutes conducting or performance sample video

HOW TO APPLY

Please send all documents to Tahnee Freda, Executive Director via email to tfreda@LAMusArt.org . **(Video links to**

Dropbox, Vimeo or YouTube preferred in place of an attached electronic video file. No hard copy DVDs or tapes.)

No phone calls please.

Equal Opportunity Employer

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