DETROIT WOMEN'S CHORUS ARTISTIC DIRECTOR POSITION

The Detroit Women's Chorus seeks to provide an inclusive celebration of the power and beauty of voices through song: creating community, decreasing social distance, and building unity throughout the Metro Detroit area. Our goal is to create a safe space for all self-identifying women and non-binary people to express themselves through the choral arts.

STATEMENT OF THE POSITION: The Artistic Director sets the artistic vision of the Detroit Women's Chorus and serves as its conductor. He or she will be knowledgeable, personable, self-sufficient, and detail-oriented, and will work with the Executive Director and Board of Directors to organize logistics for rehearsals and concerts. He or she is expected to have had a minimum of three years' experience in assisting or directing vocal ensembles, and must also have the ability to teach inexperienced singers vocal technique and be able to lead singers in a diverse array of methods from sheet music to rote. Most importantly, the Artistic Director will support and embrace the goals and values of the Detroit Women's Chorus.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Conduct weekly rehearsals, dress rehearsals, and performances
- Plan the program for the season, including repertoire, venue selection, and the scheduling of rehearsals
- Be the primary contact, alongside the Executive Director, with venues, site-contacts, and collaborators
- Attend monthly Board meetings as needed
- Represent the DWC in social/public settings, in the press, etc.
- Approach music-making with positivity, patience, and inclusivity

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:

- Cover letter
- CV/Resume
- A sample rehearsal video (10 minutes minimum)

TENTATIVE SEASON SCHEDULE:

Monday or Tuesday evening rehearsals from 7:00–9:00 pm, St. John's-St. Luke UCC, 2120 Russell St., Detroit, MI 48207

September 15: Fall Retreat and first rehearsal

November 3 or 4: DWC fundraising concert

December 12: Possible performance with Detroit Community Ensembles (DSO)

December 15: Possible DWC dress rehearsal and choir potluck (if no Dec 12 event)

December 16: Posible DWC concert and coat drive (if no Dec 12 event)

January 12 or 13: Winter Retreat

March 23: Annual "Finding Your Voice" Conference/Event

May 4: Final DWC Concert/season event

HOW TO APPLY: Please submit all materials to info@detroitwomenschorus.org and attach the required documents to your email.

COMPENSATION: Commensurate with experience.