

## Neighbourhood Voices

### Assistant Musical Director Vacancy

Neighbourhood Voices are a choir of 50+ women meeting on Tuesday evenings 7.30-9pm and sing predominantly pop and indie/alternative songs, the majority of which are arranged in house. We have sung live on BBC 6Music, live on ITV Calendar, live on Radio Sheffield and perform regularly at a variety of events across Sheffield. Our waiting list is currently approximately 35-40 people long and continually growing. We have created a nurturing community where socialising is important, but also push one another to develop and grow with challenging repertoire and an array of professional singing opportunities. We are always looking to develop, collaborate and to create a positive reputation for the choir in the city and beyond.

Neighbourhood Voices are seeking an enthusiastic, creative and confident assistant musical director. We are open to hearing from professionals of all levels and experience, though feel this position would suit a confident 2nd or 3rd year student/recent graduate or a person who has worked with classical/choral choirs and would like to broaden their MD skills. We hope this position will give the opportunity to learn, gain experience and grow personal and professional networks.

Women and POC are particularly welcome to apply to address imbalance in the industry.

#### Self employed/Freelancer contract

£40 per Tuesday evening rehearsal as assistant

£60 per Tuesday evening rehearsal as leader (for occasional cover)

Gig fees to be discussed in advance on a gig-to-gig basis.

Other paid work such as scoring out arrangements from audio files or arrangements themselves if possible and/or appropriate.

#### Essential Requirements

- Music Degree or equivalent in any instrument
- Experience working with choirs of any style and age (adults preferably)
- Some keyboard skills
- Free Tuesdays 7-9pm (setting up and packing down)

#### Desirable Skills

- Singing as first instrument
- Knowledge of CCM (pop/jazz/rock) singing techniques/styles.
- Excellent keyboard skills
- Notation skills (transcribing audio into Sibelius or other)
- Experience arranging for SSAA voices
- Full driving licence and own vehicle
- DBS Checked

## **Job Description**

- To help set up and pack down rehearsal space
- To assist choir members in their learning by singing with different sections throughout rehearsals.
- To occasionally lead warm up/exercises when required
- To cover sessions in Gina's absence when required
- To lead sectionals in rehearsals when required
- To lead/co-lead gigs when available with fees agreed to in advance.
- To arrange songs if possible and you have the desire to.
- To notate recordings into Sibelius if possible.

**If you are interested in this position, please e-mail your CV and a brief statement as to why you would like to work with Neighbourhood Voices to [neighbourhoodvoiceschoir@gmail.com](mailto:neighbourhoodvoiceschoir@gmail.com).**

**Interviews and a 15 minute slot working with the choir will be arranged for the evening of Tuesday 17 or Tuesday 23 September in a city centre location.**