



GREATER NEW HAVEN COMMUNITY CHORUS

Scholarship Opportunity CHORAL ASSISTANT POSITION DESCRIPTION

WHO WE ARE

The Greater New Haven Community Chorus (GNHCC) is people who share a common interest — a love of music. We are your neighbors, your children's teachers, your area businessmen and women, your friends. Under the leadership of the Artistic Director, our goal is to achieve the highest performance standards possible by a non-auditioning community musical organization.

WHO WE ARE LOOKING FOR

The Candidate shall

- currently be enrolled in a local college, community college, or university music degree program
- have a strong interest in choral music, conducting, and teaching
- be interested in learning to work with singers of varying levels of skill and background
- be willing to develop clear communication skills and should relate well to persons of all ages and backgrounds

WHAT YOU WILL DO

The Choral Assistant will

- assist the Artistic Director in all aspects of musical direction
- attend Thursday evening rehearsals, dress rehearsals, and performances, September 2009 through June 2010
- study and learn all music for the current season
- sing in the chorus when not sharing directing responsibilities
- from time to time, conduct the chorus in rehearsal (and performance)
- coordinate with choral section leaders
- undertake additional duties as requested by the Artistic Director

WHAT WILL YOU GAIN

The Choral Assistant will

- gain real-world experience in working with a large mixed chorus
- hone her/his analysis and score study techniques
- receive podium time to practice the art of conducting
- benefit from the mentorship of the Artistic Director
- receive a monetary scholarship award for the September through June GNHCC concert season in the amount of \$1,500.00

HOW YOU CAN APPLY

Please complete the accompanying application form (also available for download at www.gnhcc.org) and submit with \$25 application fee. Application deadline is September 24, 2009. Audio/visual samples of your singing/conducting/teaching are helpful but not required. Select candidates will be interviewed by the Artistic Director and invited to lead part of a regular Thursday evening rehearsal with the GNHCC.