

Mission Peak Chamber Singers & East Bay People's Choir

Job Description for Collaborative Pianist

Mission Peak Chamber Singers is hiring!

Mission Peak Chamber Singers is a non-profit community choir organization based in Fremont. We consist of two ensembles, the Chamber Singers and the People's Choir. We rehearse together once a week, and present three formal performances a year, along with multiple informal appearances throughout the greater Fremont community. **The choral ensemble is seeking an accomplished collaborative pianist to join our artistic director, Dr. Corie Brown, and our choirs for the 2024-25 Season and beyond. We also have a managing director and dedicated volunteer Board of Directors. This is a salaried part-time position.**

General Requirements

1. Collaborative experience with choirs
2. Excellent communication skills with artistic staff, singers, and Board of Directors
3. Flexibility with a wide range of styles, genres, and modalities, including rote rehearsing and improvisation, is ideal

Responsibilities of the Collaborative Pianist

The Collaborative Pianist shall work for the betterment of MPCS and specifically perform the following tasks:

1. Accompany rehearsals on a piano, organ, or electric keyboard in preparation for MPCS concerts. Rehearsals are scheduled for Tuesday evenings from 7:00 p.m. until 9:30 p.m., or as agreed upon. Extra rehearsals may be added, and the Collaborative Pianist will be given advance notice of these rehearsals.
2. Prepare and accompany all regular and special performances. The Artistic Director and BOD will determine the number of performances and concerts that will be accompanied. A performance shall include any pre-rehearsal, warm-up and/or call time on the performance day as required by the Artistic Director.
3. The Collaborative Pianist shall work directly and in cooperation with the Artistic Director in planning rehearsals, repertoire, concerts, scheduling, and other logistical matters.
4. The Collaborative Pianist shall attend BOD meetings when requested.
5. The Collaborative Pianist shall give sufficient notice, typically 24 hours, to the Artistic Director and a designated BOD member in cases of emergency or illness. The Collaborative Pianist shall

assist in the finding of a substitute as needed for such occasions. After two absences accrued during the contract period, the Collaborative Pianist will be responsible for the substitute's compensation.

Term and Salary

The Collaborative Pianist shall receive a salary of \$5,000.00 (\$555.56 per month) for the 2024-2025 concert season, to be paid in monthly installments by arrangement, subject to state and federal taxes. The contract will cover a nine-month period, September 1-May 31.

To apply:

Mission Peak welcomes and uplifts those applicants who are representative of our greater values and our diverse community, including applicants from historically minoritized communities. We encourage all applicants, especially anyone with unique perspectives or diverse voices to apply. Applications are reviewed on a rolling deadline.

1. Send a CV and letter of introduction to Mission Peak Chamber Singers Hiring Committee Chair Sarah Cook at sarah@cookerdog.com with the subject line "Collab Pianist - [Your Name]". We will confirm receipt of your application.

After the Committee and Artistic Director review, we may notify you for next possible steps. These may include an interview with Artistic Director Dr. Corie Brown and members of the Board of Directors, followed by an in-person audition.

For more information about Mission Peak Chamber Singers, see our website at <https://www.chambersingers.org/>

If you have questions, please contact Sarah Cook at sarah@cookerdog.com.

About Us:

MPCS has been a part of the Fremont community for over two decades. We were originally connected to Ohlone Community College, and later became our own 401c3 non-profit organization. Our mission, to build a joyful, vocal, involved community through song, is the driving force behind our weekly music making and how we intend to serve the Fremont community. We welcome all who want to learn how to sing into our People's Choir and strive to make music-making accessible through repertoire, rehearsals, and sliding scale dues.