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## **Victoria Children's Choir**

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*'Music is Meant to be Shared'*

### **Artistic Director and Choir Conductor**

Location: Victoria, British Columbia

Application deadline: September 30, 2019

The Victoria Children's Choir (VCC) has an 18-year history of success as a cultural organization that aspires to artistic excellence through choral music and music education. The Choir has 115 choristers, ranging from 7 to 17 years old, in three choral ensembles.

The VCC's founding Artistic Director (AD) will retire in 2020. The Board is now searching for a successor who demonstrates the skills and interest in building on the organization's global reputation. The new AD will play an integral role in leading the VCC to the next level of choral music excellence. Guided by the VCC's mission statement, he/she will foster the sense of community and joy of singing that are hallmarks of the Victoria Children's Choir.

The new AD should possess a combination of musical background, education and experience appropriate for this leadership position, combined with creativity and good planning and communication skills. He/she will be responsible for long term artistic planning (3 – 5 years), seasonal concepts and music education plans, including tours, for all choirs and choristers of the VCC.

The VCC AD reports directly to the Board. The AD will direct other artistic staff, collaborating on setting appropriate goals, learning objectives and activities for each choir. He/she will work closely with the Executive Director in the areas of finance, donor relations and the co-supervision of Choir Managers.

The AD will also assume the role of Conductor of the senior choir; he/she may also conduct a second ensemble. Compensation for this part-time contractual position will be negotiable to \$45,000 per annum, depending on the interests, experience and extent of conducting responsibilities of the preferred candidate.



From September to June each year, the VCC presents several major concerts plus community performances, in all musical genres, with an emphasis in the past on classical and baroque choral repertoire. The Choir values its ongoing partnerships and collaborations with other major artistic organizations such as the Victoria Symphony, Pacific Opera Victoria and the Pacific Baroque Festival. Choristers participate in national and international tours every second year.

The Board and all members of the VCC artistic and administrative teams look forward to working with the new Artistic Director and Conductor in inspiring, developing and supporting VCC's choristers in their ongoing vocal development, music education and personal growth.

Please reply in confidence to Catherine Fouracre, Board Chair and Chair of the Selection Committee, at [president@victoriachildrenchoir.ca](mailto:president@victoriachildrenchoir.ca). Please include your CV and a cover letter that describes your background and your future goals. A comment on your interest and/or availability to conduct a second ensemble would be helpful. The full job description and further information about the Choir can be found at [www.victoriachildrenchoir.ca](http://www.victoriachildrenchoir.ca)

Interviews will be conducted during October and November, with the goal of announcing the VCC's new Artistic Director and Conductor by the end of 2019. Candidates may be asked to supply video clips or other examples illustrating their conducting expertise.

Candidates will be considered without regard to race, gender, sexual orientation, age or non-job related disability. Preference will be given to qualified Canadian candidates. Please note that only candidates selected for interviews will be contacted.

The Victoria Children's Choir thanks all applicants for their interest.