



San Diego Youth Symphony and Conservatory

"Tomorrow's Leaders Are Performing With Us Today."

Education and Community Program Manager

San Diego Youth Symphony and Conservatory is the 6th oldest youth orchestra program in the United States, serving over 500 students between the ages of 8 and 25. Weekly rehearsals for these talented, young aspiring musicians are held in Balboa Park. Concerts are performed at Copley Symphony Hall, California Center for the Arts, Escondido and other venues throughout San Diego County. The International Youth Symphony in the summer combines the talents of international musicians with San Diego musicians. Many other partnerships are in place with local arts organizations.

SDYS has recently created a long term strategic plan to develop community music education programs and support for school based music education, inspired by the El Sistema model of Venezuela. The vision of SDYS is to create, implement and be a catalyst for new music education programs in all socioeconomic areas of San Diego County.

The Education and Community Program Manager is a newly created position reporting to the Artistic Director. The manager is a member of the artistic faculty and also works closely with the administrative staff. The manager is responsible for the management of the established community programs and partnerships and the creation and development of new community programs starting with an after school strings program in fall 2010 which will be modeled on El Sistema and involve community building.

Other responsibilities of the manager include:

- the development, with input from the artistic faculty, of curriculum and assessment tools for the Balboa Park programs and the community programs
- the management of the community artistic faculty and overall ensemble coordination
- the scheduling and management of all community performances
- on site management of the community programs
- the recommendation of future program expansion
- the management of student and family mentoring programs
- attendance at internal meetings, external meetings and conferences
- working with the development staff to secure appropriate funding
- the production of the annual college fair

Candidates must have a Bachelor's or Masters Degree in Music and preferably in Music Education. Experience of classroom teaching and assessment tools is required. Knowledge of curriculum development and implementation is desired. Candidates should be high energy and highly motivated to create the new programs and be enthused by the possibilities. Conversational Spanish would be a plus. The manager is based at the SDYS office in Balboa Park but is required to travel extensively in San Diego County and work flexible hours as the position demands. This is a full time, exempt position.

The salary is dependent on previous experience. Please email a cover letter and resume to: Sheila Walker, Business Manager swalker@sdys.org