

Jennifer Hayman
Director of Music and Arts



All Souls Church Unitarian

a diverse, spirit-growing, justice-seeking community

POSITION AVAILABLE: Soprano Section Leader, All Souls Choir

JOB DESCRIPTION

All Souls Church Unitarian is a diverse, spirit-growing, justice-seeking liberal religious community. Our 60+ voice All Souls Choir was founded over 50 years ago as one of the first multiracial choirs in Washington, DC. We seek a Section Leader to support and coach the singers in the All Souls Choir. The Section Leader reports to the Director of Music and Arts.

RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Attend all scheduled rehearsals of All Souls Choir during the normal choir year (Thursdays, 7:30-9:30, from mid-August through the spring, usually ending on the third Sunday in June).
2. Attend all Sunday worship services at which the All Souls Choir sings, and any other special concerts or church events at which the Choir performs.
3. Solos, collaborative work, and small group performances with other section leaders in worship/performance as requested by the Director.

QUALIFICATION

1. Excellent musicianship, including fluency in reading music and good sense of pitch, tone, and blend. Understanding of vocal technique/production and ability to teach it to others. Piano skills are helpful, but not required.
2. Strong sense of musical leadership, including giving volunteer singers a strong sense of musical security, being the first in the section to know music well, and leading sectional rehearsals when the Director requires;
3. General group leadership in behavior, attendance, and punctuality at rehearsals and performances.
4. Comfort in a variety of musical styles, including but not limited to classical (including 21st c. classical), world music, gospel, spirituals, and pop music. Candidates may demonstrate strength in a particular genre, but should have willingness, flexibility, and curiosity to learn about and perform in other genres.

EVALUATION

1. The Director will conduct a performance review of the Section Leader at the end of the season with input from the appropriate Choir members and officers.
2. Important evaluation factors will include musical initiative, singer's vocal leadership of his section, and general attitude and spirit of helpfulness, including punctuality and attendance.
3. Employment as a Section Leader is at-will, and depends on, among other factors, performance reviews and availability of funding.

COMPENSATION: Compensation is on a "per-call" basis. During the choir year (late August-early June), the Section Leader will typically have 6 to 8 calls per month at \$100/call.

Interested applicants should send inquiries to Director of Music and Arts, Jen Hayman, at jhayman@allsouls.ws. The position must be filled by February 15, 2023.

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