# DENVER YOUNG ARTISTS ORCHESTRA

## Youth String Orchestras Conductor

The Denver Young Artists Orchestra (DYAO) announces an opening for our String Ensemble & Allegro Strings Conductor position. String Ensemble (SE) consists of string players ages 7-13. SE meets on Monday evenings at Bethany Lutheran Church, 5:30-6:50pm, and performs 3-4 times per year in venues across the Denver Metro. Allegro Strings (AS) consists of string players ages 10-16. AS meets on Monday evenings at Bethany Lutheran Church, 7-8:30pm, and performs 3-4 times per year in venues across the Denver Metro.

The mission of the DYAO is to provide the finest possible youth orchestra programs, inspiring and educating young musicians through the performance of great works of music, and offering valuable cultural opportunities to the community. For forty-seven years, DYAO has nurtured the talents of the Rocky Mountain region's finest young musicians as an integral part of their musical education, helping them to achieve their dreams. The Denver Young Artists Orchestra has three orchestras and education programs training nearly 250 students, ages 7-23.

## **Job Description**

The SE and AS Conductor will provide musical instruction, direction, and leadership to the orchestras while providing a fun place for students to grow. The SE & AS Conductor will work closely with the Music Director, Conservatory Orchestra Conductor and Executive Director to promote consistency and quality throughout the entire DYAO program. This is a part-time contract position, and the salary range is \$15,000-\$18,000 depending on experience. The following duties are required:

- Conduct all rehearsals, retreats, and concerts for the String Ensemble and Allegro Strings.
- Select suitable programming in consultation with the Music Director, Executive Director, and Orchestra Manager.
- Adjudicate all auditions for the Denver Young Artists Orchestra Association.
- Attend Board meetings as requested by the Board of Directors.
- Assist DYAO staff and Music Director in recruiting musicians for the organization.

\*NOTE: There may be an opportunity to add-on a Violin Teaching Artist role in our Tune-Up program if there is interest and availability.

## **Required Qualifications**

- String instrument as a primary instrument.
- Post-secondary degree in music and/or music education.
- A minimum of 3-5 years' experience in an educational setting.
- Works well with youth, positive, energetic, engaging, open-minded, empathetic, and team-oriented.
- Committed to building strong communities.
- Background check required

## **Preferred Qualifications**

- Experience teaching string/orchestra to children ages 7-16
- Fluency in English and Spanish

## **Application Process**

Please send a letter of interest, resume, two letters of recommendation, and two representative conducting videos (front facing, 5-10 minutes each) of performance and rehearsal no later than June 28th to <a href="mailto:kelly.waltrip@dyao.org">kelly.waltrip@dyao.org</a>.

The Denver Young Artists Orchestra is an Equal Opportunity Employer. DYAO is committed to the goal of building a culturally diverse staff to serve the needs of our families and patrons. We encourage individuals of all backgrounds to apply.