

# CAREER OPPORTUNITY



## CHORUS MASTER

The Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra (CPO) is a pillar of Calgary's vibrant arts community and since 1955, has grown to be one of Canada's most celebrated live music ensembles. The Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra is seeking a talented conductor, musician and community-builder to lead our Chorus and continue to develop our tradition of choral musical programming while fostering connections within the choral music community in Calgary and beyond. The position will begin in the 2020/2021 season.

### THE ROLE

The Chorus Master is an artistic leader in the organization and a key member in both the CPO's artistic and administrative team. The Chorus Master is responsible for leading the Calgary Philharmonic Chorus, an integral artistic program of the CPO, and collaborating with/advising the Music Director on choral performances and other choral and vocal artistic considerations. This role also has an administrative component, actively communicating on schedules, programs, library, venue bookings, long-term projects, etc.

### KEY RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDE

- Direct chorus rehearsals, sectionals, warm-ups, auditions, performances of the Calgary Philharmonic Chorus, and prepare the chorus for appearances with Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra;
- Attend orchestra/chorus rehearsals liaising with Music Director or conductor on artistic considerations;
- Regularly communicate with chorus and CPO administration, including recommending venues, consulting with the CPO librarian and Chorus librarian to acquire music, securing visiting experts for workshops, etc., and advise on the Calgary Philharmonic's multi-year artistic planning;

### DESIRED QUALIFICATIONS

- Masters or Doctoral degree in choral conducting or equivalent professional and musical experience, with extensive experience conducting and preparing choral ensembles in both large-scale choral/orchestral as well as unaccompanied works;
- Excellent community relations and evidence of strong connections within the Canadian and international choral community;
- Ability to inspire, motivate, and build positive working relationships;

### ADDITIONAL DETAILS

- The Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra is an equal opportunity employer;
- Preference will be given to individuals who are currently permitted to work in Canada;

### APPLICATION PROCESS

Deadline: 20 December 2019

Please send cover letter, CV, and two video samples (maximum 20 minutes) of conducting in rehearsal and performance to: [chorusmastersearch@calgaryphil.com](mailto:chorusmastersearch@calgaryphil.com) with the e-mail subject line 'Chorus Master'.

Please also include media clippings and up to five printed programs from previous performances.

We thank you for your interest in the Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra and Calgary Philharmonic Chorus. Successful candidates will be invited for an audition and interview in early 2020.