

VARIOUS VOICES DUBLIN 2014

ARTISTIC DIRECTOR

Description of role

The Artistic Director will work with the Board of Directors of Various Voices Dublin 2014 and will take responsibility for the artistic direction of the festival. This challenging position is key to the overall success of the festival.

Duties include:

- Programming of festival and choir performances
- Development of choral workshop programme
- Directing opening / closing ceremonies
- Input to social events programme
- Sourcing and managing third party groups such as orchestra, musicians, etc.
- Other artistic projects as part of the festival, such as commissioned works, song book
- Liaison with musical directors of delegate choirs

Skills and Abilities - Essential

- Strong Musicianship
- Proven record in conducting
- Background in choral singing
- Proven organisation and planning skills
- Excellent communication skills
- Strong teaching/coaching skills
- Ability to give musical leadership to a large and diverse choir groups

The successful candidate must be comfortable to support and adopt the ethos of the festival.

Skills and Abilities - Desirable

- Music qualification
- Previous experience of international choral/arts festivals will be a considerable advantage.
- Commitment to the promotion of equality and inclusion

Commitment required

This is a 2.5 year commitment. The Artistic Director is part of the overall Board of Directors and would attend all Board meetings. Attendance at 1 meeting per month and input into the festival programme will be required in 2012. In 2013, attendance at 2 meetings per month and further development of the festival's artistic programme will be required. From January to June 2014, the position will be equivalent to a part time position.

A stipend will be available in 2013 and 2014.