



## **WILLIS PATTERSON OUR OWN THING CHORALE MUSIC DIRECTOR**

### **JOB DESCRIPTION**

The Chorale Music Director is committed to community service and shares a passion for sharing African American culture and heritage through music. The Director shall report to the Chorale Board of Directors in its capacity as personnel manager. Functional supervisory responsibility for the assistant director/accompanist.

#### **Rehearsal Schedule**

- Weekly 2-hour in-person rehearsals (and virtual accommodations as negotiated) September – June.
- Additional rehearsals at the discretion of the Director.

#### **Responsibilities**

- Program music for a minimum of two annual concerts and additional special events as negotiated with the Board.
- Facilitate Chorale member's growth and development as musicians.
- Select soloists and small ensemble singers with a preference of developing talent from within the Chorale except where a special guest(s) is apparent to the conductor.
- Work with accompanist(s) and other musicians.
- Maintain regular communication with Chorale members concerning rehearsals, concerts, performances, and events.
- Collaborate with the Board to incorporate historical context, significance and diversity of African American music for both the membership and the broader community.
- Assist in the promotion of Chorale concerts and events.
- Utilize and contribute to the Our Own Thing Chorale choral library as well as other sources.
- Work with the librarian to access music, the accompanist/assistant director to develop practice tools, and tech team to make tools available for rehearsals and practice.
- Work with the Board for continuous recruitment for diverse chorale membership.
- Serve as an ex officio Board member and attend Board meetings by invitation or by director request.
- Uphold and further the Mission and reputation of the Chorale with the membership and the wider community.
- Miscellaneous/other duties as identified and negotiated in service of the Chorale's Mission.



To apply for the OOTC Music Director Position please submit your resume or vita, cover letter, and short conducting video at [www.ourownthing.org/chorale-director-position](http://www.ourownthing.org/chorale-director-position). Application review will begin on September 6, 2024, and remain open until filled.

**This is a part-time position. Stipend commensurate with education, experience, and qualifications.**  
**For more information contact Janet V. Haynes, Secretary/Treasurer at [janet@ourownthing.org](mailto:janet@ourownthing.org).**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR INTEREST IN THE WILLIS PATTERSON OUR OWN THING CHORALE**

The Willis Patterson Our Own Thing Chorale (OOTC) is a 501(c)(3) qualified charitable organization. Our Own Thing Instructional Program is a branch of OOTC.

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