



IRISH INSTITUTE OF MUSIC & SONG

Choral Conductor

About the Choir

Cór Fingal is an award-winning adult choir based at The Irish Institute of Music & Song (IIMS) in Balbriggan, North County Dublin. Admittance to the choir is through audition only and rehearsals take place on Monday evenings from 7-9pm. Cór Fingal performs a minimum of two featured concerts per year, and performs at local, national and international festivals and competitions. Cór Fingal receives additional performance opportunities through collaboration with other IIMS ensembles and at other IIMS events.

Job Description

Cór Fingal is seeking a skilled, experienced and passionate choral conductor to join our team. The successful candidate will be responsible for managing choral rehearsals, planning and conducting concert programmes, and developing both the repertoire and vocal skills of the choir members.

Responsibilities:

- Assist in the audition process for members of the choir
- Select appropriate repertoire for the ensemble to learn
- Lead weekly rehearsals in a productive, driven, efficient, and encouraging manner
- Understanding and meeting the vocal needs of the various members of their choir, encouraging their vocal development through participation
- Adequately prepare the choir for their performances and competitions, with appropriate repertoire and achievable milestones
- Liaise with other members of the IIMS staff to coordinate all administrative details of rehearsals, concerts, marketing, etc.

Requirements:

- Minimum 3 years experience conducting a choir of a similar level
- Excellent knowledge of music theory, conducting techniques and choral repertoire
- Strong knowledge of vocal and choral pedagogy
- Ability to teach the choir lines at the piano
- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills
- Ability to work both independently and as part of a diverse team
- Excellent organizational and time-management skills
- Access to own vehicle and a full driving license

The successful candidate will be offered a rehearsal rate of €120 and administration and pedagogical support from the IIMS team. This rate can be increased based on the factors discussed at the interview. This is a contract position. Additional hours will be required for concerts and any extraneous rehearsals. If you are a dedicated and experienced choral conductor, please apply with a cover letter and resume. The deadline for application is November 14, 2023. Applicants will be looked at on a rolling basis.

To apply for this position please email C.V along with any recordings/videos of your conducting to miriam@iims.ie.