



JOB DESCRIPTION: MUSE MENTOR TEACHING ARTIST

The Oakland Symphony is seeking MUSE Mentor Teaching Artists to join a dynamic team that prioritizes artistry, education, diversity, equity and access for Oakland youth.

THE ORGANIZATION

Oakland Symphony strives to enrich the city's cultural life by championing symphonic music performance and music education. It is a leading regional performing art organization that is nationally known for its inclusive programming and connection to the community. We seek teaching Artists who prioritizes a diverse, equitable, and inclusive environment and are passionate about increasing the reach and impact of Oakland Symphony's MUSE programming.

MUSE PROGRAM

The MUSE program is a partnership between Oakland Symphony and the Oakland Unified School District (OUSD). The Symphony engages professional, symphonic instrumentalists to work in partnership with certified classroom teachers to engage, inspire, and provide targeted instrumental music instruction to students ranging from elementary through secondary schools.

POSITION SUMMARY

Through providing positive individual attention and group lessons to classroom students, a Mentor Teaching Artist supports the goals of OUSD certified music teachers. Successful candidates will partner their goals with those of each teacher they are assigned and be mindful of age, culturally responsive in their teaching, and support social-emotional learning.

*Visit OUSD Visual & Performing Arts Web-site to get current with goals and activities for OUSD:
<http://www.ousd.org/Domain/157>

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Provide monthly reports detailing school visits, dates, hours, success stories, and statistics.
- Exchange observations of students, teaching techniques, and ideas with the certified music teacher.
- Recruit students for various opportunities in MUSE and beyond. (EX: Master Classes, Performances, etc.)
- Maintain and communicate a regular schedule with consistent & prompt attendance.
- Attend annual MUSE meetings and teaching artist training opportunities as available.
- Submit a background check.

- Be aware of appropriate interactions with students and colleagues, ie: alerting classroom teacher to suspected child abuse and neglect, sexual harassment etc.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Previous professional experience as both a symphonic instrumentalist and group teacher preferred.
- Knowledge of different cultures and multiple genres of music is a plus.
- Superb written, verbal, and organizational skills.
- Experience working with youth.
- Strong social and interpersonal skills.
- Clear wellness & background checks (Covid vaccination & proof of a negative TB test within the last 4 years.)
- Regular availability during the day from September to May
- Access to reliable transportation.

ATTRIBUTES

- People person and team player.
- Punctual and organized
- Empathetic.
- Strong desire to mentor youth.
- Exceptional interpersonal skills.
- Sense of Humor.

COMPENSATION

Part-time hourly rate of \$70.00 per hour. Paid monthly. Hours are subject to teaching schedule and availability. Oakland Symphony is an equal opportunity employer and actively seeks diversity in staffing.

TO APPLY: Please fill out the online application form and submit your resume to Beth Vandervennet, MUSE Program Manager at jobs@oaklandsymphony.org.