

NYO KIDS CONDUCTOR 2017



POSITION DESCRIPTION

The Conductor of NYO Kids is responsible for leading the artistic and educational direction of the orchestra. Working with the Manager and the Artistic Director to ensure the viable, operational and exciting future of the orchestra.

The position is a 2 year, part-time/casual contract. The candidate must be committed to the creation, collaboration and contribution to the cultural life of the community through quality teaching and the promotion of the orchestra mission and values.

Mission

Newcastle Youth Orchestra aims to educate and nurture emerging young performers, through a diverse and challenging repertoire of orchestral music, towards excellence in performance.

Values

We believe in / that:

- Creativity happens in an inclusive and collaborative place
- Encouraging our students, friends and families to embrace musical opportunities to foster an enduring love of the arts
- Striving for excellence both educationally and artistically
- Enriching and serving our audiences, our community and the region
- Prudent and consistent governance

RESPONSIBILITIES

Operations & Administration

- Develop orchestral repertoire for a series of public concerts and events, in consultation with the Artistic Director.
- Attend and lead weekly rehearsals
- Liaise regularly with Manager, Artistic Director and volunteers for NYO Kids.
- Be involved in the production of live NYO Kids orchestra performances
- Encourage and nurture NYO orchestra members by providing quality teaching and performance opportunities
- Promote the activities and benefits of NYO as the opportunity arises
- Conduct four orchestra concerts as part of NYO's kids concerts program
- There may be opportunities to engage with the senior orchestra across the year in rehearsals, sectionals and performances.

CRITERIA

The candidate should demonstrate:

- Leadership and creativity
- Significant musical aptitude and flair expressed through musicianship & conducting
- Proven ability for developing imaginative programming ideas that have significance to the orchestra, the community, and the occasion.

- Proven understanding of orchestral pedagogy and the process for developing musicians
- Ability to communicate within an orchestra's membership that includes musicians of varying backgrounds and abilities, parents and families
- The ability to collaborate within the team and framework of the nonprofit organisation
- Tertiary education or equivalent industry experience



FEE / SALARY

Fee is calculated pro-rata per term; (based on 10-week school term) plus superannuation (under review for 2017)

APPLICATIONS

Please email your C.V and cover letter to the NYO Board, addressing the selection criteria to michael@nyo.com.au

Applications Close: 30th November, 5pm

Please contact Michael Power, Manager michael@nyo.com.au for more information.