



Horsley Choral Society

Appointment of Musical Director from 1st September 2025

Person Profile

This appointment provides an opportunity for an applicant with the appropriate skills to help to mould the direction of the Society, to raise its profile building on its past successes, and to broaden its appeal to a wider age group.

We are a non-auditioned choir, about 50 strong, We participate annually in the Leith Hill Music Festival which itself engenders a spirit of both collaboration and competition. The applicant should possess sound teaching abilities and strong qualities of leadership. They will have wide musical knowledge and experience and will be able to demonstrate competences in all areas of choir leadership. They will have the skills to work comfortably with an amateur choir of mixed ability, whilst maximising the singing qualities of all members. They will have a sense of humour and the personality to engender enthusiasm and commitment, whilst maintaining best use of rehearsal time.

The Society is a member-based organisation, with the management in the hands of a committee and trustees, and the successful candidate will be expected to work within, and to contribute to that environment.

Horsley Choral Society is committed to supporting equal opportunities.

The successful candidate will have most if not all of the following qualities, skills and experience:

- an appropriate musical and teaching qualification, or equivalent experience
- a track record as a successful conductor or assistant conductor of a good quality choral society or choir
- direct experience of the effective organisation and development of a choral society or choir and a reasonable degree of project planning and time management skills
- the ability to work within a committee management structure in a collective and consultative style, showing sensitivity and understanding of the needs of the committee and the members
- a strong sense of humour and an awareness that not everyone is perfect.