



**PART-TIME CONDUCTOR JOB DESCRIPTION for 2017-2018 SEASON**

**Florida Symphony Youth Orchestras**

**JOB TITLE: Part-Time Conductor for the FSYO Overture Strings Orchestra**

**REPORTS TO: Executive Director**

**SUPERVISES: Student Musicians and Volunteer Staff associated with that orchestra**

**JOB SUMMARY: In collaboration with and agreed upon by the Music Director: The Conductor is responsible for setting musical standards of the orchestra under his/her direction. The Conductor sees to the choice of music for the ensemble directed, decides on chair placement, and chooses guest artists when applicable.**

Collaborates with the Music Director in planning the concert season: subscription concerts, special concerts, chamber ensemble programs, tours, etc.

In collaboration with the Music Director, selects works to be performed taking into consideration the orchestra season and number of rehearsals between each concert date, with approval of the Music Director.

Coordinates with Librarians and Music Director on the purchase or rental of scores; ensures that all bowings and markings are clear and consistent before study parts are copied.

Stays abreast of repertoire for youth instrumentalists choosing repertoire appropriate to the group; ensures the effective use of all orchestra players.

Assists the FSYO with the planning and organizing of auditions for membership in FSYO and judging the auditions, which will take place near the end of each season to place student musicians for the following season.

Assists the FSYO by judging the preliminary auditions for the annual Concerto Competition.

Communicates stage needs to MD and ED.

Conducts all rehearsals and concerts as agreed by contract.

Exercises leadership in developing the total artistic quality of the orchestra.

## **NON - MUSICAL RESPONSIBILITIES**

Assists the MD as liaison with schools and community music educators to develop a collaborative working relationship.

Assists the MD in playing a visible and active role in the community; helps develop the overall public image of the orchestra in the community and beyond.

Assists in the general promotion of the orchestra by being available for public appearances for ticket campaigns, fund drives, etc.

Strengthen the voluntary culture of the orchestra institution by working with Board members, parents, and other volunteers on special projects designed to help the orchestra.

Stays abreast of artistic activities in the orchestra field; recommends to the ED and MD new activities that may advance the orchestra's objectives.

Assist the FSYO in the development and implementation of a recruitment program in the local community through the public schools and their music instructors.

Assist FSYO in its fundraising efforts and developing relationships with local and state governments, music organizations, and patrons and potential patrons, which relationships are intended to increase the exposure, opportunities and funding of the FSYO.

## **OTHER**

Meet with the other Conductors of the Florida Symphony Youth Orchestra to coordinate the events, policies and artistic direction of the orchestra, seat the orchestra, and discuss any and all problems that they may encounter with the orchestra, FSYO volunteers, and FSYO Board members.

Perform other duties as assigned by the Executive Director.

Anticipated time commitment of five-seven hours per week.

**Application Procedure:** Send resume and cover letter to: [hevans@fsyo.org](mailto:hevans@fsyo.org) by February 17, 2017. Remember to include the specific job for which you are applying in the cover letter portion of your application, i.e., "Overture Strings Conductor."