

The Holland Chorale seeks a skilled and dedicated collaborative accompanist to join our team. The ideal candidate is a versatile musician with strong piano skills (organ skills also preferred), excellent collaborative abilities, and a passion for working with singers and other instrumentalists.

Job Description

Collaborative Accompanist

Supervised by

Artistic Director

Purpose of Position

To act as a collaborative accompanist for chorale rehearsals, performances, and auditions, as well as for other events as needed (fundraisers, community outreach performances, etc.).

Time Commitment

Approximately 2-3 hours per week; occasionally more as dictated by the rehearsal/performance calendar.

Chorale Mission

The Holland Chorale exists to enrich our community with outstanding concerts of fine choral music.

Responsibilities

1. Individually prepare and practice Chorale music in advance of rehearsals
 - Rehearsal accompaniment or reduction
 - Performance accompaniment (if different from
 - Open score (vocal parts in combination)

2. Provide piano accompaniment for all rehearsals
 - Weekly Evening rehearsals
 - 2-3 additional rehearsals per concert cycle over a weekend retreat format
 - Rehearsals with soloists in preparation for each concert (as needed)
 - Dress rehearsals
 - Accompany for sectionals as needed
 - Accompany new member auditions

3. Accompany Chorale performances
 - Main Concerts are Fall, Holiday, and Spring, with up to two performances
 - 2-3 Winter Mini-Concerts involving small ensembles performing solo and ensemble
 - Possibility of 4-6 additional community service performances per year
 - Adventures in Harmony (Fall school outreach program), all-day event with evening concert

4. Meetings and communication

- Communicate efficiently and effectively with the Artistic Director
- Meet as needed with the Artistic Director

5. Provide other assistance as requested and mutually agreed with the Artistic Director

Qualifications:

- Bachelor's Degree in Music.
- Degree in Music (Bachelor's or higher) with a focus on piano, organ, or collaborative performance is preferred
- Proficiency as a pianist; organ skills are preferred.
- Experience (2-3 years minimum) accompanying choral ensembles or working in a collaborative setting.
- Experience leading sectionals and covering rehearsals when needed.
- Strong sight-reading skills and ability to play a wide range of musical styles.
- Excellent organizational and communication skills.
- Ability to work flexible hours, including evenings and weekends.

How to Apply

Interested candidates should submit their CV, a cover letter, three references, and collaborative accompanying recordings in varying styles.

Recordings should be of live performances with choral ensembles; video is preferred. Separate recordings for various pieces are preferred. Please include at least one piece in each category:

- Baroque, Classical, or Romantic Choral Repertoire
- 20th-century Choral Repertoire
- jazz/broadway/pop piece (if available).

Submit applications no later than May 28, 2025, to:
Nola Tolsma, Vice President of the Holland Chorale
hr@hollandchorale.org

Applications will be reviewed as submitted, with interviews scheduled for final candidates June 7-9 as needed.

The Holland Chorale is an equal opportunity employer and values diversity in its staff and programming. We encourage all qualified individuals to apply.