



Announcement of Assistant Conductor Open Positions

The Greater Dallas Choral Society invites applications for open **Assistant Conductor** positions available in August 2024.

Open Positions:

Brio Chorus Assistant Conductor
 Youth Chorus Assistant Conductor

The Organization

The Greater Dallas Choral Society for children and youth is the premiere choral ensemble for singers in grades 4–8 throughout Dallas-Fort Worth. GDCS proudly carries forward the 25 year old legacy and mission of the Children’s Chorus of Greater Dallas, which is to give children and youth an experience in choral artistry in a group that reflects the diversity of Dallas.

In our first two seasons under the name GDCS, we have been named as “the official children’s chorus of The Dallas Opera,” collaborated with Dallas area arts groups, and performed in beautiful venues throughout the city. The 2024–2025 season boasts collaborations with The Dallas Opera, the Greater Dallas Youth Orchestra, the Dallas Winds, performances at the Meyerson Symphony Center and the Winspear Opera House, an appearance at the national convention of the American Choral Directors Association, and the joy of children and youth creating beauty with their voices. GDCS has three children’s choruses for singers in grades 4–8, and two high school choruses for singers in grades 9–12.

2024–2025 GDCS Confirmed Performance Dates

Sunday, October 6, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.	Zion Lutheran Church	<i>First Song</i> concert	Cantabile, Treble Youth, and Youth Choruses
Sunday, December 1, 2024 at 7:30 p.m.	Morton H. Meyerson Symphony Center	<i>Fall Into Winter</i> concert	All Choruses
Wednesday, December 18, 2024 at 7:30 p.m.	Morton H. Meyerson Symphony Center	<i>Holiday Magic</i> concert with the Greater Dallas Youth Orchestra	Treble Youth and Youth Choruses
Sunday, February 16, 2025 at 7:30 p.m.	Lovers Lane United Methodist Church	<i>Sing Into Spring</i> concert	All Choruses
Sunday, April 6, 2025 at 7:30 p.m.	Morton H. Meyerson Symphony Center	<i>Season Finale</i> concert	All Choruses

Assistant Conductor Positions

A member of GDCS’s artistic staff, the assistant conductor may lead sectionals and will assist the lead conductor during ensemble rehearsals and at all performances. While there is no podium time during concerts, this position requires candidates to be prepared to take over in the principal conductor’s absence. Assistant conductors provide individualized coaching and guidance to singers in the rehearsal setting.

Candidate Profile

The successful candidate for these part-time assistant conductor positions will demonstrate a love and respect for children, an understanding of children, a passion for and knowledge of children's vocal development and a desire to share beautiful music with them. The successful candidate will be an excellent musician. Candidates must have excellent vocal skills, excellent conducting ability, good rehearsal piano skills, and a commitment to the musical/educational philosophy and approach used by the staff of GDCS.

Compensation

Compensation for part-time assistant conductor positions is set at \$40 an hour.

Applications

Please send a resume and cover letter that describes both your interest in GDCS and your qualifications for the position. Please send materials by Thursday, April 18, 2024 to:

Kim Ahrens, Artistic Director
kim@dallaschoralsociety.org

PLEASE NOTE WHICH POSITION(S) YOU ARE APPLYING FOR IN YOUR APPLICATION MATERIALS.

Finalists will be observed in their own choral setting.

Learn more about GDCS's musical approach and teaching techniques by observing a rehearsal on April 15 or 22. Email Kim Ahrens at kim@dallaschoralsociety.org if you wish to observe a rehearsal.

You are also encouraged to attend our *Season Finale* concert on April 28, 2024 at 7:30 p.m. at the Meyerson Symphony Center. Visit our web site at www.dallaschoralsociety.org to learn more. Questions about the position should be sent to kim@dallaschoralsociety.org.