



Rhythm of the Rockies

www.rhythmoftherockies.org

Calgary, Alberta, Canada

Region 26 - Western Canada

Director Search - Introduction

We are an all female Barbershop chorus and a member of Sweet Adelines International. Our goal is to hire an individual with the ability to direct and to lead the 75 member chorus to our highest achievable level.

RotR is excited about this new chapter in our Chorus life. Thank you for your interest in applying to join us as our new director. We look forward to beginning our conversation with you!

About the Position

Musical Director of Rhythm of the Rockies

- Currently, rehearsals are on Tuesday evenings from 7:00PM to 10:00PM. Flexibility is expected to accommodate performances, extra rehearsals, and events in addition to weekly rehearsal.
- Compensation is based on experience and education
- Works in partnership with the Music and Management teams

Responsibilities

- Promotes a cappella music, with emphasis on the Barbershop style
- Represents the chorus positively in the Sweet Adelines and wider community
- Networks with organizations, music directors, and community groups to increase the visibility of the chorus

Design, coordinate, and direct musical product:

- Directs chorus rehearsals, performances and competitions
- Participates in short and long-range planning
- Plans and executes all chorus rehearsals
- Prepares chorus for all regional and International competitions
- Teaches and Supports optimal vocal production
- Involved in audition process of prospective members
- Works closely with the choreographer to develop the highest-level performance
- Chairs and coordinates meetings with Music Team
- Facilitates development of musical leadership
- Works in coordination with Performance Committees to develop shows and other performances
- Commits to continuing education in the barbershop art form, through observation, personal study, attendance at regional and international schools and meeting
- Fosters development of aspiring quartets, directors, and arrangers in the chorus

Collaborate with the chorus administrative leadership:

- Attends Management team meetings and submit reports as required
- Collaborates with Management Team regarding chorus calendar and expenditures
- Provides support to chorus committees

Qualifications

The Music Director should be a well-organized, dependable, and strong leader whose creativity and musical skills will advance the Rhythm of the Rockies to the next level. An ideal candidate has:

- Choral directing experience
- Excellent management, leadership and teaching skills
- Understanding of barbershop art form
- Foundation in vocal pedagogy and ability to demonstrate effectively
- Strong desire to advance the chorus competitively
- Skill in collaboratively developing and directing stage productions and performances
- Inclusive and welcoming to all
- Positive attitude
- Artistic, creative, flexible, innovative, out-of-the-box thinker
- Genuinely approachable with excellent communication skills
- Able to inspire singers to reach high standards using positive feedback

How to Apply

- Please forward your current CV/Resume (in PDF format) to directorsearch@rhythmoftherockies.org
- We encourage you to share a link to a video of your directing.
- **Currently accepting applications until January 31, 2020.**
- Additional information may be requested after initial review.
- We will review applications (resumes) as they are received, and selected candidates will be invited to participate in an interview and direct a rehearsal at a mutually agreed-upon time.

If you have any questions, please send to Mia Cavanaugh at directorsearch@rhythmoftherockies.org