Full-time Lower School Music Teacher

Saint Ann's School is a non-sectarian K-12 independent school in Brooklyn, NY looking for a full-time Lower School Music teacher. A school that exists to serve talented, intellectually accomplished and curious students, we seek faculty who are passionate about their subject and able to convey both information and a love of learning to children of a variety of ages. The Saint Ann's Music Department is a group of passionate musicians who want to share and make music with children. Our students experience music as performers, composers, and historians. Our Lower School students develop understanding of music through experiences in singing, playing instruments, performing rhythms, moving to music, composing, and listening. We work with children on creating compositions that transcribe their thoughts and emotions into forms of musical expression.

Saint Ann's does not give grades or compare students to one another. We write anecdotal reports twice a year for students. This is a major undertaking but we find our written reports more rewarding and satisfying than giving grades. Embracing and describing each child's individual experience in the classroom is a cornerstone of our school.

ABOUT SAINT ANN'S SCHOOL

Since its founding in 1965, Saint Ann's has embraced a commitment to education for its own sake, oriented to the capacities of each individual student, free of the encumbrances of formal grading, prizes, and rankings. At the same time, we are unabashedly committed to excellence in all that we do. The lives of our graduates speak powerfully to the potential of an education based on these principles to ignite a passion for learning and to sustain creative energy in every field of endeavor. We accomplish this by offering talented students instruction shaped by creative and dedicated faculty, forming a true community of learners from pre-Kindergarten through high school. With a faculty and staff numbering more than 300, and 1090 students, and occupying space in seven separate buildings clustered in Brooklyn Heights, Saint Ann's draws most of its students from nearby Brooklyn neighborhoods as well as Manhattan. Known for its commitment to an education that brings together passionate and talented teachers with gifted and motivated students, Saint Ann's has earned an outstanding reputation in academic disciplines and the arts.

PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- BM or BA in Music Education or equivalent experience
- Experience teaching or working with children is helpful but not required
- Love of teaching general music
- World music specialty or familiarity with Orff/Kodaly
- Solid Piano skills
- Basic Conducting skills and/or ability to lead a chorus a plus
- Passion for educating children through in inclusive lens
- Strong interpersonal skills; flexibility and a sense of humor
- Being comfortable singing and moving with children is essential. We seek a musician who is passionate about engaging with children using music. We seek a musician who thrives on the creative energy of children.

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Teach lower school general music classes from Kindergarten to 4th grade.
- May include conducting or accompanying one or more of the following chorus'
    - 3rd, 4th/5th grade Chorus
- Write anecdotal reports twice a year

TO APPLY

Interested applicants should send a cover letter that speaks directly to the school's mission (you can learn more about us at https://www.saintannsny.org) and a resume to lsmusicteacher@saintannsny.org. Candidates who identify as members of historically underrepresented groups are strongly encouraged to apply.

NOTICE OF NONDISCRIMINATORY POLICY

The School does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, creed, gender, age, marital status, disability, national or ethnic origin or sexual orientation in carrying on its educational activities or in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, employment policies, financial aid programs, and athletic and other school administered programs.