

CATSKILL CHORAL SOCIETY

Bringing Choral Masterworks to the Oneonta/Cooperstown area since 1970

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Position Announcement

Artistic Director

The Catskill Choral Society is seeking a permanent Artistic Director beginning with the spring concert cycle for the year 2026-2027.

Position overview:

The Music Director will provide artistic leadership and achievement of vision, and will oversee development and implementation of a progressive program of choral music consistent with the mission statement, musical goals and objectives of the Catskill Choral Society. The Music Director will ensure that the choral program provides for ongoing education and improvement in choral skills and techniques. The major duties of the Director are to program and rehearse two concert cycles per year and to conduct the resulting concerts.

Basic Requirements:

A degree in music specializing in choral direction or experience equivalent to at least five years specifically directing choral groups is required. A Masters Degree in choral conducting and minimum of 3-5 years conducting experience is preferred.

Background of CCS

The Catskill Choral Society was formed in 1970 as the Community Chorale. Since its inception, the CSS has presented regular fall and spring concerts emerging as an outstanding musical organization in the central New York region. Based in Oneonta, NY, this chorus of 70 men and women draws members from many surrounding communities. The Society's repertoire of over 50 major works is a testimony to its versatility and expertise. A partial list of works performed by the group can be found on our website.

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Application:

Send a letter of application, current resume'and CV, copies of recent programs, and if available video or audio recording of a recent performance. All submissions will be held in strict confidence. Finalist candidates will be requested to submit letters of recommendation and letters of character reference. **Application deadline is November 13, 2026. Send to Catskill Choral Society, Search Committee PO Box 135, Oneonta, NY 13820. You may also email your files to johnjurgensen@catskillchoralsociety.org.**

A complete position description can be obtained by contacting either John Jurgensen or Cindy Magee, Search Committee Co-Chairs, at [HYPERLINK "mailto:DirectorSearch@catskillchoralsociety.org"](mailto:DirectorSearch@catskillchoralsociety.org) Phone (607) 434-0678.