PIANO ACCOMPANIST
JOB #FCC867
$2,234 - $2,709 per month

The District pays employee's portion of PERS retirement contribution. This is a classified position subject to a one-year probationary period.

DATE POSTED: January 6, 2014
CLOSING DATE: January 22, 2014
POSITION LOCATION: Fullerton College – Music Department
SCHEDULED: 22 hours per week, 9-month position, normally scheduled Monday-Friday, but may require work on evenings and weekends, depending upon music course offerings. Daily starting and ending times may be irregular; shift may vary from day-to-day depending on programmatic requirements.
STARTING DATE: As soon as possible

TYPICAL DUTIES
This position is responsible for assisting faculty by working with and coaching students, and providing piano accompaniment in rehearsals and performances. Sight read, improvise and compose music as necessary; transpose music from one key to another as required. Perform written accompaniments of assigned repertoire with appropriate attention to stylistic intent; develop performance-level musical presentations. Provide accompaniment at rehearsals; assist choir members in learning the assigned music with melodic and rhythmic accuracy. Coach vocal students in individual sessions; coach students in proper interpretation of music; assist students with the proper pronunciation of foreign languages used in songs including Italian, German and French. Coach students in the proper singing performance; creates vocal exercises to assist students to improve performance; assist in the selection of appropriate material for students. Accompany voice classes; play warm up exercises under direction of instructor; support students with accompaniments which enhance their performance. Accompany soloists and choirs at day and evening public performances throughout the year. Maintain schedule of private coaching sessions and other rehearsals and performances as required; prepare repertoire for rehearsals and performance. Oversee and coordinate the proper tuning and maintenance of the pianos. Learn and apply emerging technologies and advances as necessary to perform duties in an efficient, organized, and timely manner. Perform related duties as assigned.

QUALIFICATIONS
Education and Experience: Bachelor’s in Music AND extensive knowledge, experience and training as a choral, vocal or instrumental accompanist.

Ability to: Provide piano accompaniment for vocal and instrumental individuals and ensembles; sight read music from many style periods or musical scores accurately and efficiently; transpose or improvise from a lead sheet; follow the conductor or soloist; provide vocal coaching to students to assist them in learning, interpreting and performing assigned music; plan, organize and prioritize work; meet schedules and time lines; understand and follow oral and written directions; communicate effectively, orally and in writing; establish and maintain effective working relationships with others.
Knowledge of: Piano performance and accompaniment techniques; theory and principles of proper vocal production; principles, practices and techniques of vocal coaching; principles and practices of sight reading; interpretation, phrasing and ornamentation appropriate to various musical styles; proper pronunciation of foreign languages used in song repertoire including Italian, German and French.

WORKING RELATIONSHIPS
The Piano Accompanist maintains frequent contact with Music Department faculty and students.

WORKING CONDITIONS
College or District music department; subject to irregular work schedule as required by rehearsals and performances; subject to standing and sitting for long periods at a time (up to 2-3 hours); repetitive use of upper extremities including hand coordination activities.

Applicants MUST submit the following items:

1) District Classified Application (All sections must be completed.)
   Applicants must answer all questions in the “General Information” section of the application on page 3 and must sign the application on page 4. All mandatory supplemental forms must be completed and returned with the application. Failure to complete these sections will result in exclusion from the applicant pool.

2) Official or unofficial transcripts related to the position.
   Official or unofficial transcripts with degree posted; must be submitted with application. Applications submitted without transcripts attached will be deemed incomplete and will not be considered.

   Note: The incumbent will be required to submit official college transcripts at the time of hire.

Applications may be downloaded at www.nocccd.edu, or requested from the Human Resources office by e-mailing hr@nocccd.edu or calling (714) 808-4810. Reference Job #FCC867, Piano Accompanist, in all correspondence. You may include cover letters, resumes, letters of reference, etc., as attachments to your completed application. The District will not return or make photocopies of application materials. It is the applicant’s responsibility to make photocopies for personal records and ensure that the application packet is complete when submitted. Applicants must submit a new application packet for each position. Application packets previously submitted will not be pulled for resubmission. THE DISTRICT DOES NOT ACCEPT APPLICATIONS OR ATTACHMENTS BY E-MAIL OR FAX.

Mail or deliver your application packet in person to:

North Orange County Community College District
Human Resources, 9th Floor
1830 West Romneya Drive
Anaheim, CA 92801-1819

APPLICATION DEADLINE
Completed applications must be received in the Human Resources office on or before January 22, 2014, 5:00 p.m. (Postmarks will not be honored.) Application materials received after the deadline date will not be considered.

The Hiring Committee will review the applications and select a limited number of candidates for an interview. This process may take several weeks after the closing deadline. At the time of the interview, a written exercise related to the position may be required. Subsequent to the interviews, the Hiring Committee will determine those candidates for final consideration. A second interview may be required of candidates selected as finalists. Possession of the minimum qualifications does not ensure an interview. Reasonable accommodations for applicants with disabilities may be requested by calling (714) 808-4821 at least three (3) business days in advance of the scheduled examination/interview date. Initial salary placement will be determined by the Office of Human Resources in accordance with Board Policy and is not negotiable.

All employees driving personal, leased, or district-owned vehicles for District related activities must certify possession of a valid California Driver’s License. Employees must certify that personal vehicles are covered by automobile insurance as required by California law. (Board Policy 6010, Section 4.0) In some locations, may require special licenses or certifications. The applicant selected for the position will be required to provide identification and employment eligibility as outlined in the Immigration Reform and Control Act. NOCCCD will not sponsor any visa applications.

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