

## JOB ANNOUNCEMENT – NEW POSITION

### FULL TIME WITH BENEFITS

### SUZUKI METHOD STRING INSTRUCTOR - GRADES 3 – 5

**DESCRIPTION:** The Roanoke Symphony Orchestra (David Wiley, Music Director), Roanoke, Va., will partner with local public school systems to offer a full time salaried position to the highest qualified Suzuki Method String Instructor with SAA certification. The instructor will be responsible for planning and implementing a Suzuki Method program in the schools and in after-school programs. The instructor will also provide at least four hours of group and/or private instruction for scholarship students of the RSO's Educational Programs. The preferred candidate will have a Bachelor's Degree in Music and a minimum certification of Suzuki Book 2 (or must be able to obtain the necessary certification by August 15). The instructor will be an employee of the Roanoke Symphony Orchestra and will be eligible for employee health, dental, 401k, and long-term disability benefits offered to all full time staff.

The position will fill a three-year pilot program. The desire of the community is to encourage and support the instructor to build a private Suzuki Method studio in the community.

The instructor may also earn additional compensation as a violinist with the RSO (upon successful audition.)

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Bachelor's Degree and a minimum of certified Suzuki training through Book 2. (Or must be able to obtain necessary certification by August 15.) Have the energy and ability to initiate a new program within a public school system and an after school program in collaboration with another school system for grades 3-5. Proven ability to teach group lessons, private lessons, and parent classes.

**RESPONSIBILITIES:** Provide Suzuki Violin instruction to groups of students (at least 10 per class) grades 3 in the coming year and up to 5th grade within 3 years. Responsible for starting program and preparing students for orchestra classes to be offered in the sixth grade.

**REQUIREMENTS:** Up to six (45 minute – 1 hour) group classes four days per week within the school year. (Schedule is subject to change).

Four Suzuki Method Violin Classes per school day (Franklin County Public Schools - two days per week).

Two after-school Suzuki Method Violin classes per day (Salem City Schools - two days per week).

At least four hours per week (Roanoke Symphony Orchestra) of private instruction and/or group classes for RSO scholarship students.

Any necessary evenings and weekends for parent classes, recitals and performances to create the best possible program model based on SAA recommendations for Suzuki in the Schools.

Must have access to reliable transportation as the instructor will provide own transportation to and from teaching obligations.

Must pursue and obtain Suzuki certification through Book 4 within the initial three-year period.

**ADDITIONAL:**

- May be considered for a position as a violinist with the fully professional Roanoke Symphony Orchestra (approx. 65 services per year @ \$80.00 per service).
- May provide private lessons for a fee to parents. Will be encouraged and supported to build a private Suzuki Method studio in the community with almost limitless potential for growth.

**COMPENSATION:** Full-time salary with health and dental benefits. Base salary of \$25,000/year with opportunity to earn additional compensation both as an RSO orchestra musician and as a private teacher.

The **Roanoke Symphony Orchestra (David Wiley, Music Director)** performs Masterworks and Pops concerts in Roanoke and various venues throughout Southwestern Virginia. The Roanoke Valley boasts an active arts community nestled in the surrounding Blue Ridge Mountains.

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