

# ComMUSICation Teaching Artist

## Job Description



ComMUSICation (CMC) is seeking a Teaching Artist to teach Crescendo Choir for youth grades 3-5 at one or two sites in Saint Paul. The Teaching Artist (TA) works in collaboration with the Music and Program Director (MPD) to develop lessons and support the development of CMC youth.

### **Crescendo Choir Overview**

This is a beginner choir which will explore diverse genres and styles of music. CMC programs are based on youth-development practices and high-quality music education, and centered on community and cultural relevance.

### **Responsibilities**

Teach weekly Crescendo Choir with youth grades 3-5 **at one or both sites:**

Mondays and Wednesdays 2:15-3:15pm at Bruce Vento Elementary School

Tuesdays and Thursdays 2:15-3:15pm Maxfield Elementary School

Collaborate with MD to create lesson plans that incorporate youth voice and choice into each class

Utilize music as a tool for community exploration, learning about history, and seeing its power to bring about social change

Work with on-site after school staff to manage youth behavior

Manage and report attendance to MPD

Check-in with MPD weekly and with other CMC staff as needed

Showcase program for families and community through performances, informances (informal, educational performances) TBD in collaboration with CMC staff

### **Preferred Qualifications**

Experience teaching music to youth grades 3-5

Experience in education or youth development

Passion for social activism through music

### **Requirements**

Reliable transportation

A completed background check

Proof of a COVID-19 vaccination or a negative COVID-19 test required when collaborating with Performance Choir (for example, a collaborative performance)

### **Compensation**

\$40 per hour for teaching, planning (up to 3 hours per week) and meetings

### **How to apply**

Email a letter of interest and resume to Carey Shunskis [music@cmcmn.org](mailto:music@cmcmn.org) or complete [this Google form](#) preferably by December 1.

### **Organization Overview**

The mission of ComMUSICation is to amplify young people's voices and cultivate skills for success through equitable access to music, collaboration, and opportunity. Founded

in 2013, ComMUSICation teaches skills for success through music-making to youth from Saint Paul's Frogtown, East Side and North End neighborhoods. Our high-quality and intensive music programs are built on the belief that every young person, regardless of background, deserves the opportunity to be in a safe and caring environment where they are free to express themselves, can define their future, and change the world.