



READING MALE VOICE CHOIR

Deputy Musical Director/Accompanist Wanted from Spring 2019

Reading Male Voice Choir is seeking a Deputy Musical Director. The successful person will accompany the choir at all rehearsals and concerts, with the opportunity also to undertake some conducting duties and go on overseas tours.

RMVC is a leading male voice choir of 75 members, which has a full programme of concerts, around 10 per year, mainly in the Reading and Thames Valley area. We also undertake regular overseas tours, including 13-17 June this year to Warsaw, Poland, and host choirs ourselves in Reading. The choir repertoire is broad and varied, including spirituals, hymns and other sacred music, pop music, folk songs, show songs and opera choruses.

We rehearse on Fridays from 19:30 to 22.00 at Hawkedon School in Lower Earley, Reading, for around 40 weeks of the year, between September and July. Rehearsals and concerts are accompanied by a Roland keyboard.

We are looking for an able pianist/accompanist capable of working with choral groups. There will also be opportunities to conduct occasional pieces and some conducting ability would be an advantage.

We are looking to appoint as soon as possible, to cover the remainder of the current season and our 2019-20 season, with the opportunity to continue for future years. The post receives an annual honorarium payment, which this season is £3,373, and is reviewed each year at our AGM in July. The payment to the successful candidate is made in three stage payments throughout the season, and pro-rata for the remainder of the 2018-19 season (to July 2019).

The choir was founded in 1971 by Gwyn Arch who was Musical Director for over 40 years. It is now led by his previous Deputy, Clive Waterman. The choir is supportive and friendly and the successful person can be sure of a warm welcome. We are a registered charity ourselves and our concerts raise funds for local charities, to the tune of around £12,000 per season.

Further information about our choir is available on our website: www.rmvc.net and Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/readingmvc>. Or contact our Secretary whose contact details can be found there.

Interested candidates should submit a current CV to our Chairman, John Painter, at j.g.painter@hotmail.co.uk by Monday 18 February 2019.