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TO CONDUCTORS,

INVITATION TO SUBMIT AN EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FROM CONDUCTORS

The GWS Committee has put out a call for Expressions of Interest to add to the artistic team for 2019. The Committee wishes to appoint a suitably experienced and committed conductor for either the position of Associate Conductor for 2019. The GWS Committee is still open to having guest conductors when the possibility arises.

The Grainger Wind Symphony is a Melbourne-based not-for-profit group made up of experienced musicians who share a passion for creating quality wind-band music. The GWS Committee is proud to have celebrated its 32nd Anniversary in 2018. Performing around six concerts a year, the repertoire is made up of quality music with an emphasis on international contemporary art music and works by Australian composers, while also incorporating popular favourites. The Music Director and Principal Conductor is Roland Yeung.

Interested conductors should submit a written Expression of Interest by the 25 November 2018. On receiving EOIs, the Grainger Wind Symphony Committee will invite a short list of conductors to audition for the role of Associate Conductor on Wednesday 12 December 2018 at a time to be determined from 8.00pm. The Committee will then short list applicants who have auditioned and invite them to attend an interview.

The Expression of Interest should include a cover letter that describes why the applicant would be suitable addressing the Key Criteria, and a Curriculum Vitae that describes conducting experience, conducting study undertaken and repertoire conducted in performance.

The audition is to be a live audition conducting members of The Grainger Wind Symphony. Applicants will select two excerpts from two contrasting works each up to seven minutes of music time, rehearse and perform both excerpts within 20 minutes of podium time allotted. Applicants must provide an extra score and a full set of parts by 30th November to the Music Director. Alternatively, applicants can negotiate to use a work that is already in the GWS library. The selected repertoire should allow the conductor to fully demonstrate their artistic and technical conducting skills.

In addition, each conductor will be given the score one half-hour prior to their audition time to sight read with the wind symphony.

Only one person will be appointed to the role of Associate Conductor with up to four slots available for audition. Following the audition process, up to two applicants will be invited to attend an interview. The successful applicant should be aware that they are being invited into the GWS community as a member, which has a \$200 concession subscription fee, as paid by all committee members. It should be noted that this position is voluntary as with all positions, and has no remuneration.

In 2019, the Associate Conductor is expected to

- Work to add value to the group
- Cover for the Music Director if absent
- Attend all rehearsals during the school term which start in February and finish in December
- Actively participate on Committee and attend committee meetings
- Work closely with the Music Director with both artistic and administrative roles
- Take section rehearsals when scheduled
- Assist the conductor
- Conduct one work or more in at least two concerts, and in one concert conduct the performance and all the rehearsals for it
- Play in the group.

It is a position for the year 2019.

The following are key criteria:

- Expertise as a conductor in rehearsing and performing quality wind symphony repertoire, and leading experienced musicians.
- Ability to work at a variety of levels with a community group that typically has a short rehearsal period on Wednesday nights in Blackburn, Victoria.
- Ability to contribute to high artistic goals.
- Willingness to add value to the wind symphony through administration and community building.
- Willingness to contribute to achieving the goals of The Grainger Wind Symphony, as outlined in the Rules and Strategic Plan.
- Work as an active team member.
- Skills in using IT.

Enquires can be made by calling the Music Director, Roland Yeung on 0432 445 577.

Expressions of interest are to be emailed to the Music Director, Roland Yeung roland.yeung@graingerwindsymphony.asn.au. In order for the EOI to be considered, it must arrive by 25 November 2018.



Regards,

Roland Yeung
Music Director and Principal Conductor on behalf of the Committee.