



★ Choral Director Wanted

The Yellowknife Choral Society has been a fixture in the arts and culture scene in Yellowknife since the 1970s.

Its un auditioned adult community choir, Aurora Choralis, strives to be inclusive and welcoming while delivering diverse choral repertoire of high quality and variety at a consistently high standard.

Are you a vibrant and creative individual with an interest in learning more about becoming the next director of Aurora Choralis? ✨

Details about the position can be found on our website
ykchoralsociety.org

**Apply to ykchoralsociety@gmail.com
use "director search" in the subject line
by March 20, 2026**



Core Responsibilities:

- Selecting and ordering music and planning concerts, including themes and guest performers.
- Planning the season, including rehearsals, retreats, and concert dates.
- Leading rehearsals and concerts, teaching music, and conducting singers.
- Assessing singers through voice placements and auditions, and deciding who performs.
- Identifying and coordinating accompanists, section leaders, and other musical support.
- Preparing concert details such as seating, program order, and notes.
- Identifying clinicians and supporting special musical projects.
- Attending and reporting to Yellowknife Choral Society Board meetings.

Additional responsibilities may include: (if and as agreed to with the Board)

- Providing learning resources and rehearsal recordings.
- Organizing sectionals and supporting rehearsal preparation.
- Coordinating with photographers, stage managers, and guest performers.
- Managing content on the singers' website.

Qualifications

- Experience singing with and/or directing choirs
- Strong leadership, communication and organizational skills
- Formal training in music or equivalent experiences
- Ability to support singers of varying skill levels
- Commitment to creating an inclusive, positive, and collaborative rehearsal space

FAQ

Time Commitment

Estimated at 25 to 30 hours per month. Regular rehearsals are Tuesdays from 7pm to 9:30pm at Calvary Community Church.

Compensation

Honorarium established by Board of Directors is \$8,000 per year paid over two singing terms (Sept to Dec and Jan to Apr).

Transition Plan

The new Musical Director position commences July 1st to begin planning for the September term.

Transition Support

The Outgoing Director is available for any assistance to ease the transition if requested by the new Musical Director. This could include consultation on repertoire, preparatory materials, recommendations on professional development, rehearsal coverage (for illness or work travel), or regular co-conducting for the first season.

Board and Committee Support

The volunteer Board of Directors is a working board, meets monthly and is supported by the following committees:

- Concert Committee
- Fundraising Committee
- Social Media Committee
- Health and Safety Committee

Collaboration

Yellowknife Choral Society is an inclusive and collaborative choir. The Aurora Choralis Music Director will work with a regular accompanist and liaise with the Music Directors of Fireweed Children's Chorus.

Past Concerts

Examples of past programs are attached and our Youtube channel features a selection of past performances and rehearsals.

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCmvXuA4AaU_MDbqREY6CRzg

Audition

The Board requests that candidates be prepared to spend a half hour with the choir at a regular Tuesday practice working on part of a piece slated for the April 2026 concert.

Contract

The successful candidate will be asked to sign a one-year renewable contract.