Music of Remembrance

Position Available: Development Specialist
Location: Seattle, WA
Class: Part-time
Reports to: Artistic Director
Available: Immediately

THE ORGANIZATION
Music of Remembrance (MOR) is a non-profit organization founded in 1998 to remember the Holocaust through music. With concert performances, educational programs, recordings, and commissions of new works by some of today’s leading composers, MOR honors those of all backgrounds who found the strength to create even in the face of persecution, and those who had the courage to speak out against cruelty. We tell stories that communicate urgent lessons for today, and we look beyond the Holocaust itself to the experience of others who have been excluded or persecuted for their faith, ethnicity, gender or sexuality.

In addition to presenting historical music from the time of the Holocaust, MOR has commissioned and premiered over 30 new compositions by leading composers, telling stories that emphasize the relevance of the Holocaust’s lessons for today’s world. Two new commissions currently in progress address the challenges faced by refugees and immigrants.

Over its first two decades, MOR has become a firmly established organization widely admired for its artistic excellence and for its commitment to a compelling mission. MOR is based in Seattle, and its programs have primarily served the Pacific Northwest. Since 2015, MOR has also performed annually in San Francisco, with the objective of establishing an ongoing presence there as well. The organization’s website musicofremembrance.org provides extensive information about MOR’s musical and educational programming. The website also contains a link to the most recent Annual Report, which includes a financial overview.

POSITION OVERVIEW AND RESPONSIBILITIES
MOR seeks a creative, energetic professional to generate funding for MOR’s artistic projects and its operations. Working closely with the Artistic Director, this individual will shape fundraising strategies and directly carry them out. He or she will have primary hands-on responsibility for cultivating, soliciting and stewarding major and annual donors. A major part of the role will be to coordinate the planning and execution of MOR’s annual major fundraising gala.

EXPERIENCE AND QUALIFICATIONS

- Candidates must have a bachelor’s degree, and experience in development with a focus on individual and major giving. Fundraising experience with non-profit arts organizations would be especially valuable.
• Outstanding interpersonal and relationship management skills.
• An ability to embrace MOR’s mission and programs, and to articulate them convincingly as an ambassador of the organization.
• High energy and self-starting capability as the organization’s only development professional.
• Excellent verbal and written communication skills.
• Strong organizational and time-management skills, and the ability to prioritize among multiple tasks.
• Ability to use fundraising databases and donor relations software.
• Knowledge of the philanthropic and arts community.

APPLY by sending cover letter and résumé to devsearch@musicofremembrance.org.