



Position Description: Substitute Music & Movement Instructor

Location: Sistema Toronto operates out of three centres across the GTA. The substitute teachers will teach out of one or more of these locations:

- Parkdale - 78 Seaforth Avenue (Queen West and Lansdowne)
- Yorkwoods - 25 Yorkwoods Gate (Jane and Finch)
- Scarborough - 230 Morningside Drive (Lawrence and Morningside)

Schedule: Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, 3:30 – 5:45 PM

Term: Immediate through June 21 and September 2019 – June 2020

Rate: \$50 per hour

Organization Description

Sistema Toronto provides free music lessons in an ensemble-based environment to children as part of an intensive social program that inspires at-risk kids to reach their full potential as students, musicians and citizens. Sistema Toronto currently serves 275 students in the communities of Parkdale, Jane-Finch and East Scarborough.

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Sistema Toronto teachers work closely with students to develop their musical abilities as well as build life skills like empathy, hard work, trust and kindness.

The Music & Movement Instructor will work with a group of students (ages 6-7) for 5 hours of weekly instruction. Drawing on Early Childhood Music Education (ECME) principals such as Orff, Kodaly, Suzuki, and Dalcroze, the teacher will help prepare the beginner students to begin playing violin in September 2020.

The classroom is equipped with Orff Instruments (xylophones, glockenspiels and hand percussion instruments) and the students have been working on vocal techniques (posture, breathing, pitch matching) as well as basic theory, solfege and performance practice.

Sistema Toronto Music & Movement Instructors plan and execute their own lessons with support from the Executive Director. Sistema Toronto teachers are encouraged to be creative and bring their own teaching styles and ideas into the classroom.

Requirements

This position is suited for an enthusiastic, highly-motivated and naturally communicative individual with experience working with children. We are looking for a candidate who has a

strong musical background and performance ability as well as educational experience. The ability to work cooperatively and flexibly with a busy teaching team are essential assets.

- Music degree or equal performing experience
- 1+ year teaching experience
- Strong communication skills, patience
- Values consistent with those of Sistema Toronto

How to Apply

Please send your resume and a brief cover letter to info@sistema-toronto.ca. In your cover letter, please indicate:

- Your instrument(s)
- Which centre(s) you can access
- Your availability

Successful candidates will be asked to provide a current Vulnerable Sector Screening.

Sistema Toronto is committed to building a culturally diverse teaching team and strongly encourages applications from minorities, women, individuals with disabilities, and members of the LGBTQ+ community.