

First Unitarian Church, Ithaca, New York
JOB DESCRIPTION
CLASSROOMMUSICIAN

The First Unitarian Society of Ithaca seeks a Musician to work with young people Sunday mornings, and at occasional activities outside of Sunday mornings, during the full-service church year (September through June.) This is a part-time, salaried, non-exempt position. Applicants are subject to background check. *Review of applications will begin August 15, 2009. We will accept applications until the position has been filled. Please send a resume and cover letter to either reasst@unitarian.ithaca.ny.us or FUSIT, P.O. Box 6, Ithaca, NY 14851-0006, Attn: Jennifer*

1. QUALIFICATIONS

Education: Two years of college or equivalent experience

Skills:

- Ability to articulate a position on the spiritual quality of music and singing
- Ability to sing, play, read, arrange songs/music for young people in the classroom as well as in a performance outside the classroom
- Be well organized and self-motivated
- Ability to work well with people of various ages

Experience: Have experience working for a youth music program and events, as well as working independently and with committees

Religious Background: Must have a general understanding of Unitarian Universalist Principles (see <http://www.uua.org/visitors/6798.shtml> for listing of UU Principles)

2. SUPERVISION

The Classroom Musician

- Will work in conjunction with the Music Committee and the Director of Religious Education (DRE)
- Will be available to confer with the Music Committee and DRE on a regular basis
- Will be accountable to the DRE and the Chair (or Co-Chairs) of the Music Committee

3. RESPONSIBILITIES

- Collaboration in building a music element in Sunday morning Religious Education classes for youth aged 3-18, including some performance at church events that may take place in the evenings and/or on weekends several times per year
- Visiting classrooms every Sunday, on a rotation basis, to actively encourage spiritual growth through musical expression
- Teaching singing and/or movement and/or percussion accompaniment of songs that teach and support our Unitarian Universalist Principles
- Positive collaboration with the members of the Music Committee and Religious Education Committee, as well as other paid church staff and volunteers
- Maintain files and resources for the classroom music program