

# Position Description

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## Position Purpose

To provide beginner to intermediate level individual singing lessons for students of all ages. To guide, encourage and foster a love of music in your students. To help students learn the basics including pitching, rhythm and basic musicality all while maintaining a fun and encouraging learning space. To provide a safe space for students to explore their voices while making sure they are taught safe singing techniques.

## Position Details

<b>Position title:</b>	Singing Teacher
<b>Salary range:</b>	\$25-35/hour plus super, negotiated based on qualifications, skills and experience.
<b>Employment type:</b>	Casual
<b>Work hours:</b>	Wednesdays after school during school terms – min 3hrs (Potential to for more hours as demand grows)
<b>Organisation:</b>	Willow Studios
<b>Work location:</b>	Ocean Grove
<b>Reports to:</b>	Kara Backhous
<b>Further information:</b>	Kara Backhous, 0447 124 592

## About Willow Studios

### Our Aim

To create a warm and inviting learning space where students feel safe to express themselves artistically. A space where students are offered expert training and are encouraged and guided towards achieving their goals.

### What we do

We specialise in one-on-one singing lessons for all ages and abilities. Students are taught safe singing techniques and are supported and guided towards achieving their goals.

We understand that singing is a very personal form of artistic expression. To sing from the heart requires great courage. We encourage all of our students to stand tall and we feel privileged to share this space with each of our students.

Musical theatre school holiday programs are also run from time to time for school students who love to sing, dance and act.

### **Who we do it for**

Our students range from 5 year olds who love to sing, to teens who have dreams of working in the performing arts adults who have always wanted to sing but never got the chance.

### **What you will do:**

- Identify student goals and cater lesson plans accordingly.
- Create and maintain a fun and creative culture.
- Ensure learning space is welcoming and encouraging.
- Implement Willow Studios teaching ethos including our encouragement strategy.
- Run student warm ups and guide students with appropriate song choices. Aim to have 1 song learnt per student by the end of the term.
- Refer parent questions regarding scheduling and payment to Kara.
- Weekly check-in with Kara to ask any questions/advice.

### **About you:**

- You will have a current Working With Children Check (WWCC) or a willingness to obtain one
- Willingness to continue personal vocal training
- Have a kind, caring and positive can-do attitude

### **Specialist/Technical Expertise**

- Demonstrated singing experience – has a solid understanding of foundation level technique for singers and a willingness to continue training.
- Demonstrated piano skills – ability to play warm up exercises and basic chords for accompanying students during lessons.
- Demonstrated experience in working with young people

## Knowledge and Skills

### *Verbal Communication*

- Clearly and confidently communicates with all age groups
- Understands and meets the needs of target audience.
- Uses audience feedback to refine communication and ensure communications are understood.
- Handles difficult and sensitive communications with empathy and diplomacy.

### *People Management*

- Ability to guide and encourage students while maintaining assertiveness
- Ability to handle parent/student queries with diplomacy

### *Time Management*

- Arrives on time and keeps students lessons on schedule

### **Preferred Qualifications (not mandatory):**

- Completed Level 1 & 2 Estill Voice Training or have had lessons with a voice teacher who has an understanding of Estill voice training techniques.
- First Aid Certificate

## How to Apply:

Email Kara at [willowstudiosaustralia@gmail.com](mailto:willowstudiosaustralia@gmail.com) the following:

1. Your current CV
2. Link to video of you singing (max 5min)
3. Either a cover letter OR a chat to camera introducing yourself (max 2min)

## Important Dates:

Applications Close: 5pm 24th December 2021

Job Start Date: Wednesday 26th Jan 2022