

Volunteer Position Available Golden Guild Artistic Director

Golden Guild, a volunteer outreach program of the Midland Center for the Arts, seeks a volunteer Artistic Director to set and execute the artistic vision of Golden Guild programs on an annual basis.

Golden Guild, made up of passionate volunteer performers and technicians, takes entertainment straight to senior activity centers and residences and creates opportunity for connection through performing songs, skits, old-time radio programs, and comedy routines.

Position responsibilities:

- Ensure Golden Guild fulfills its mission and vision through appropriate artistic vision
- Prepare for season by leading small team of group members in developing and editing the script and music selections for the touring show
- Ensure appropriate casting/assignment of performance roles
- Direct the staging and blocking of the script and musical selections
- Work with other Golden Guild volunteers serving as stage managers, properties/costume masters, sound engineers, music accompanist, etc, to consistently execute performances
- Liaison with Center staff for rehearsal scheduling, script and sheet music photocopies, show program, etc
- Work with the Schedule Management volunteer to set performance schedule

Position requirements:

- 2-5 years of theater experience, directing or stage management experience preferred
- Imaginative, inclusive, and collaborative spirit
- Open to working with varying levels of experience
- Must like working with and serving older individuals
- Sense of humor and patience
- Organized; willing and able to delegate
- Good listening and communication skills
- Prior knowledge of or experience with Golden Guild a plus

Other:

- Artistic director is not required to attend all performances in a season, but is expected to attend at minimum 25% to support cast and crew
- Season schedule: Rehearsals are generally in September, with performances in October, November, first half of December
- This is a volunteer position; no salary or stipend is associated with this position.

Mission

The mission of Golden Guild, a volunteer outreach program of the Midland Center for the Arts, is to enhance the quality of life of senior community members by creating connections through the joy of live performance.

Vision

Golden Guild's vision is be a space where the arts community contributes to building a culture in which people are encouraged and enabled to live productively and with dignity through creating an inclusive space for volunteers and audience members.

Golden Guild does this by:

- Using the passion and talent of community volunteers to take meaningful entertainment outside the Center walls
- Being a space where volunteers are supported and connected by a creative community

Anyone interested in serving as the Artistic Director for Golden Guild should email their contact information and a letter of interest (in the body of an email) detailing their theater experience and experience working with seniors to Katie Miller, Manager of Community Engagement, at miller@midlandcenter.org by April 28, 2021.