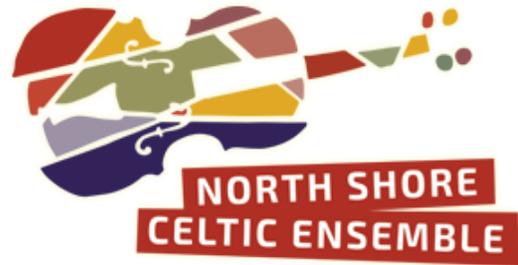


## Fiddle Instructor - East Vancouver

North Shore Celtic Ensemble



The **North Shore Celtic Ensemble**, a non-profit organization founded in 1999, has built a strong reputation as a provider of both innovative and imaginative music programs for young musicians and of exciting performances for the North Shore community. **We are expanding our programs into East Vancouver and are seeking a Fiddle Instructor to join our team to make this program a success.**

The NSCE offers a creative environment for young players of diverse instruments and levels. Emphasis is given not only to quality of performance but also of connection within the group as with their community. NSCE programs empower young people through a playful musical experience that supports them in developing a strong sense of themselves and their role within a group. In working the repertoire, great emphasis is given to the storytelling aspects of music making. This feeds young people's imagination and supports their self-expression and confidence.

Performances are a staple of the NSCE experience. To complement the North Shore based performances, we envisage the East Van program also undertaking community concerts.

**Employment type:** Contract

**Rate of pay:** In the range of \$100/weekly session for 21 weeks

**Hours of work:** ~5-6 hours/month

**Reports to:** Director of Novice Programs

Reporting to and working closely with the Director of Novice Programs and Executive Director, the Fiddle Teacher - East Vancouver is responsible for teaching weekly classes on the violin and implementing NSCE curriculum into lessons. The Fiddle Teacher is expected to communicate and collaborate regularly with the Director of Novice Programs and other Directors as needed. In addition, the Fiddle Teacher, with support from the Director of Novice Programs, will schedule 2-4 community concerts between January and June in East Vancouver.

**Schedule:** Every Thursday 6:00-7:00pm from January 6, 2022 - June 16, 2022; excluding Spring Break (March 14-25, 2022) and statutory holidays. Community performances scheduled in addition, included in the contract. Extra compensation may occur for involvement in other NSCE events where assistance is requested.

**Location:** Vancouver; occasional events in North Vancouver

### Duties

#### Instruction

- Lead weekly, one-hour classes for 9-15 students playing violin. Class content and repertoire will draw inspiration from the Celtic fiddle, jazz, classical, and folk genres.

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- Implement curriculum and repertoire as assigned by the Director of Novice Programs. The Program Instructor will be expected to teach some repertoire taught across all programs to allow for multi-group collaboration. The Program Director will also be welcome to introduce their own repertoire/arrangements.
- Work and communicate regularly with the Director of Novice Programs and Executive Director to coordinate performances/events involving East Vancouver and North Shore groups.
- Organize and lead 2-4 short community performances with willing community partners.

### **Other Duties**

- Plan weekly, age-appropriate lessons focusing on instrument technique and development, repertoire, and recreational activities (games, other music learning activities).
- Communicate with parents in a timely and professional manner, including a brief, weekly email update to parents.
- Provide sheet music and/or recorded practice tracks to support students' home practice where necessary.

### **Qualifications**

- A Degree/Diploma in Music on a String instrument would be an asset, or equivalent experience studying the violin, viola, or cello
- Two or more years of private or group music teaching experience
- Ability to plan and instruct balanced lessons for primary- and intermediate-level music
- A diverse musical background with experience playing in Celtic, classical, folk, and jazz styles preferred
- Must be able to implement curriculum and repertoire that aligns with the curriculum and repertoire of the North Shore ensembles
- Must be well-organized and possess strong communication skills
- Must be able to collaborate effectively with colleagues to coordinate events and performances

Please submit your cover letter and resume to [clarice@nsce.ca](mailto:clarice@nsce.ca) detailing why you would be the ideal candidate for this position. This position is open **until 5:00pm December 5, 2021**. Interviews will be conducted the following week. We thank all applicants, but only those selected for an interview will be contacted.