

Madison Savoyards, Ltd.

Position: Music Director

Mission: It is the mission of the Madison Savoyards, Ltd. to preserve the works of Gilbert and Sullivan and other light opera by producing and promoting live performances, to develop the skills and talent of cast, crew and musicians of all ages, and to inspire, entertain, and educate the community through performances and other initiatives.

Responsible to: President, Board of Directors

Responsibilities: Working closely with other members of the show's creative team, oversee all musical aspects of the production, including but not limited to

- Casting performers
- Advising on reduced instrumentation (6-7 instruments + piano)
- Rehearsing singers and orchestra members
- Conducting the orchestra and singers in performance
- Assisting the orchestra coordinator in recruiting orchestra members, as needed
- Recruiting a rehearsal pianist, as needed

Desired Qualities: The ideal candidate will be proficient in conducting orchestra and working with singers. Experience conducting opera and/or ballet is a plus.

2027 Production: Next summer's production will be a double feature: *The Spectre Knight*, by James Albery & Alfred Cellier, and *The Sorcerer*, by W.S. Gilbert & Arthur Sullivan. *The Spectre Knight* originally opened in 1878 as a companion piece to *The Sorcerer*. While *The Spectre Knight*'s original full orchestration has been lost, the Madison Savoyards is developing a 6-7 instrument orchestration for this piece using the surviving piano vocal score. The Music Director is welcome, but not required, to assist with this orchestration restoration.

PDFs of the piano-vocal scores are shared here: <https://tinyurl.com/MSLVocalScores2027>

Dates and location of performances are not yet finalized but will likely be two weekends of 6 performances either July 30 - August 8 OR August 6 – August 15, at the Bartell Theater. Performance dates are dependent on director availability and avoiding concurrent performances with Madison Opera's Opera in the Park (July 24), with rehearsals starting either June 20 or 27.

Additional information about past productions can be found on the Savoyards' website: www.madisonsavoyards.org

If interested, please send a cover letter and resume to madison.savoyards@gmail.com or by mail to Madison Savoyards, Ltd., P.O. Box 1612, Madison WI 53701-1612 by November 6, 2026.