

# PITTSBURGH SYMPHONY INTERNSHIP DESCRIPTION

**POSITION:** Special Events Assistant positions available for:
Summer (with a commitment to work the Fall Gala)
Fall/Spring (with a commitment to work Spring Wine Dinner)

**DEPARTMENT:** Development

## APPLY WITH COVER LETTER AND RÉSUMÉ TO:

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### INTERNSHIP PURPOSE AND REPORTING STRUCTURE

- This internship position reports to the Director of Events and Manager of Events
- The Summer Special Events Assistant assists in the design and implementation of special events in support of PSO operations. The focuses for this position will include the following Special Events: Maestro's Wine Dinner, Annual Gala and Soirée and pre-planning for 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration. Other events may include Parties of Note, Fundraising Events, Donor Benefit Events, and Cultivation Events. This internship also coordinates with the Individual, Corporate and Foundation development teams to make sure that fundraising events complement their efforts.

#### ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- This internship is responsible for a main role in the design, organization, and implementation of the PSO's annual Maestro's Wine Dinner & Gala/Soirée.
- Assist in the research, and development of the annual Gala and Soirée.
- Research, identify, and recommend new sources of Special Event revenues.
- Maintain up-to-date paper and electronic files on all Special Events. Document internal and external communications that concern Special Events.
- Maintain database of PSO event attendees and coordinate information within the Tessitura electronic management system.
- Assist in the preparation of all correspondence and reports regarding Special Events for staff and volunteers.
- Participate in Development department cultivation/acknowledgement events.
- All other duties as assigned.

#### REQUIREMENTS

- Two years of college completed.
- For <u>Summer Internships</u>: Ability to work a minimum of 32 hours per week during the summer months in at least five-hour increments between the hours of 9:00am and 5:00pm, Monday through Friday. Commitment to work through Monday, September 24, 2019 on a part-time basis (adjustments will be made to accommodate your school schedule) to help prepare and finalize Gala/Soirée. Required to work entire day of Saturday, September 14, 2019 for Black Tie Gala/Soirée Event.

- For Fall/Spring Internships: Ability to work a minimum of 8-15 hours per week for the fall & spring semesters between the hours of 9:00am and 5:00pm, Monday through Friday. Commitment to work an occasional evening or weekend based on event schedule. Previous experience in events and/or catering is preferred.
- Excellent organizational skills, verbal and writing skills, excellent attention to detail, ability to interact comfortably and effectively with institutional and community volunteer leadership; creativity a key.
- Interest to gain greater experience in Event Planning and Non-Profit Event Fundraising.

These are non-paying internships.