



Goh Ballet Academy Canada

Job Title: Pianists – Ballet Class Accompanists
Position: Part-Time, Independent Contractor, On-Site
Location: Vancouver, BC | Toronto, ON

Goh Ballet is seeking Pianists – Ballet Class Accompanists for its locations in Vancouver, B.C. & Toronto, ON.

Goh Ballet Academy is one of Canada's pre-eminent ballet training institutions, with an enviable international reputation for excellence. Established in 1978, the Academy is now under the direction of Chan Hon Goh, former Principal Dancer of the National Ballet of Canada. People are at the heart of our success. We are passionate about bringing great dance experiences to the widest possible audience; about giving the world's best creative talent the stage it deserves; and about providing our people and partners with opportunities to realize their full potential.

POSITION OVERVIEW

Reporting to the Associate Director & Faculty Lead and the General & Artistic Director, the Pianist – Ballet Class Accompanist holds the primary responsibility of providing high-quality live musical accompaniment for ballet instruction. The ideal candidate will possess strong technical piano skills, excellent sight-reading abilities, and a collaborative spirit. We are looking for musical artists who are eager to integrate their talent with the discipline of classical dance, supporting our students' rhythmic and artistic development.

POSITION DESCRIPTION

You will be responsible for the musical accompaniment of students at Goh Ballet during their daily training. You are dependable, adaptable, and highly sensitive to the tempo and phrasing required for classical dance.

Live Accompaniment: Provide rhythmic and melodic support for ballet exercises at the barre and in the center, ensuring the music complements the specific "qualities" of movement requested by the instructor.

Instructional Alignment: Follow the teacher's verbal instructions and physical demonstrations quickly to select or improvise appropriate music.

Repertoire Mastery: Utilize a diverse range of classical and contemporary piano music suitable for various ballet levels, from children's programs to professional vocational training.

Collaboration: Maintain an active dialogue with dance faculty to ensure the musical atmosphere enhances the educational objectives of each class.

Reliability: Ensure consistent attendance and punctuality for all scheduled shifts to maintain the flow of the Academy's daily curriculum.

Professional Growth: Participate in orientation or training sessions provided by the Academy to refine skills specific to ballet accompaniment.

CANDIDATE QUALIFICATIONS

For this role, we are seeking skilled Pianists who are enthusiastic about the unique art of dance. Whether you are an experienced accompanist or a talented pianist looking to specialize in this field, we value your musicality and willingness to learn. Other qualifications include:

- Advanced proficiency in piano performance with a strong foundation in classical music
- Excellent sight-reading skills and the ability to learn new scores quickly
- Comfort with improvisation and the ability to adjust musical phrasing to fit the specific exercise/combination
- Enthusiastic willingness to learn the specific nuances of accompanying ballet classes
- Experience accompanying ballet or other dance forms is considered a significant asset
- Strong communication skills and a professional demeanor when interacting with faculty and students

COMPENSATION

- **Wage:** \$20.00-\$30.00/ Hourly (Commensurated based on experience)

APPLICATION

To apply please email your resume and availability

Please email: Positions@GohBallet.com

Subject Header: Pianists – Ballet Class Accompanists Application

Application Deadline: Ongoing

All applications will be reviewed and considered. We thank you for your interest in this position; however, we will only be contacting those selected for interviews.

Goh Ballet is committed to employment equity through a process which identifies and eliminates any discrimination in the organization's employment procedures and policies. We encourage applications from qualified individuals who identify as LGBTQ2+, First Nations, Inuit & Métis, people of color, and people with disabilities.