

Stichting Omroep Muziek (SOM) is a production house for music within the Dutch public broadcasting system (NPO), employing approximately 240 staff members. The organization includes the Radio Philharmonic Orchestra and the Netherlands Radio Choir (Groot Omroepkoor). These ensembles are renowned for championing new and lesser-known music, both in the Netherlands and beyond. Every week, they bring audiences in major Dutch concert halls, as well as countless listeners at home via radio and online, the finest masterpieces of classical music. Their performances take place during the NTR ZaterdagMatinee, the AVROTROS Vrijdagconcert, and the Zondagochtend Concert, all broadcast live on NPO Klassiek. Additionally, SOM operates from its own building on Heuvellaan in Hilversum, which houses numerous recording studios, rehearsal spaces, and an in-house concert series.

About the Netherlands Radio Choir

For 80 years, the Netherlands Radio Choir has been a leading professional choir with a unique identity. Its repertoire spans from baroque to contemporary works, performed in small ensembles, a cappella, and primarily in large-scale choral symphonic compositions. The choir's strength lies in its flexibility—one week performing a Bach cantata, the next premiering works by Sir James MacMillan or Jörg Widmann.

As part of Stichting Omroep Muziek, the choir is closely connected to the Dutch Public Broadcasting System. Each season, the choir performs around 24 different programs, with ensemble sizes ranging from 24 to 72 singers. Most of its concerts take place within the NTR ZaterdagMatinee, the Zondagochtend Concert, and the AVROTROS Vrijdagconcert, and are generally broadcast live on NPO Klassiek. Since September 2020, Benjamin Goodson has been the choir's chief conductor.

Stichting Omroep Muziek (SOM) is looking for a

Choir pianist and répétiteur

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The Role

As the pianist of the Netherlands Radio Choir you will play a crucial role in its productions. You will support the rehearsal process, accompany the choir and its singers during concerts, recordings and auditions where necessary.

We are looking for a pianist who has:

- An exceptional level of piano playing and experience accompanying choral rehearsals
- Experience working with professional choirs, ensembles, and various conductors
- Flexibility and willingness to follow different conductors and support them in realising their vision
- Excellent score-reading skills, including orchestral scores and opera repertoire
- The ability to lead sectional rehearsals
- Familiarity with both contemporary and classical choral repertoire, in particular the choir's own repertoire
- Affinity with classically-trained singers
- A flexible approach within a dynamic working environment
- Strong teamwork and communication skills
- A good command of both Dutch and English

We offer

- An inspiring working environment with a leading professional choir
- Collaboration with top musicians, world-class conductors and soloists
- A competitive salary and benefits package in accordance with the CAO of Stichting Omroep Muziek

Compensation

A full-time position offers a salary ranging from €3,239.02 to €4,663.98 gross per month, excluding:

- 8% holiday allowance
- A gross year-end bonus of €1,500

Selection Process

Selecting the right colleague requires time and care. The process will include:

- An introductory interview
- Participation in a production of the Netherlands Radio Choir during the 2025-2026 season
- Possible additional steps, such as leading sectional rehearsals and playing for auditions
- The final selection will be made based on these assessments, with the successful candidate being confirmed by June 2026.

How to Apply: <https://www.muvac.com/vacancy/stichting-omroep-muziek-g15rrejy>

Application deadline: Friday, May 2, 2025

We reserve the right to make a preliminary selection based on application letters. Stichting Omroep Muziek adheres to the Employment and Foreign Nationals Act (Wav) and related legislation during its recruitment and selection procedures.

Our primary recruitment focus is on candidates from the EU/EEA/Switzerland or candidates with a valid residence permit stating there are no restrictions on employment in the Netherlands.

For questions about this position, please contact:

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We do not accept unsolicited agency applications for this vacancy.