Director of the School of Music

Call for Nominations and Applications. The University of Florida’s College of Fine Arts seeks a dynamic and creative leader to direct the School of Music and sustain an environment of artistic and academic excellence at one of the nation’s top public universities.

Responsibilities. The Director of the School of Music will:

- Provide a comprehensive vision for the School and implement that vision through strategic planning
- Manage and develop the School’s resources
- Provide leadership for, and oversight of, all degree programs within the School of Music, and lead the ongoing reexamination of the school’s artistic and academic programs to support continued accreditation
- Promote excellence in teaching and advising, and lead efforts to provide a challenging, engaging, and effective learning environment that attracts and retains top music students
- Provide leadership for, and oversight of the School’s personnel matters, such as hiring, faculty development and retention, promoting diversity and tolerance, and annual faculty and staff evaluations
- Initiate, expand, and support innovative intra- and cross-disciplinary programs that build on the strengths and successes of the School, College, and the University
- Serve as an advocate for music and the arts in support of the mission of the School, the College, and the University
- Develop and foster a collegial environment that capitalizes on the strengths of a diverse, accomplished faculty that participates in shared governance

Rank and Salary. Full professor, 12-month, full time position. Salary is highly competitive and commensurate with experience and qualifications.

About the University of Florida. The University of Florida, a public land grant, sea grant, and space grant institution, is one of the five largest universities in the nation with more than 50,000 students. UF is the state’s only member of the elite Association of American Universities (AAU). UF faculty attracted $583 million in research and training grants last year, placing the university among the nation's leading research institutions. UF is among the nation’s most academically diverse universities, with 16 colleges offering 100 undergraduate degree programs, 200 graduate programs and 30 combined degree programs. The School of Music serves over 300 undergraduate and graduate students with a faculty of 40 distinguished artists and scholars.

Qualifications. The College of Fine Arts seeks applications and nominations from a broad spectrum of individuals including women, members of diverse ethnic groups, and persons with disabilities, and we welcome applicants with both traditional and nontraditional backgrounds. The successful candidate will have a(an):
• Terminal degree in music, or equivalent experience
• Record of excellence in administration, resource management, marketing/promotion of university music programs, and program development, expansion, and evaluation
• Distinguished record of teaching, creative activity, and service commensurate with the rank of professor at a Research 1 AAU institution
• Broad understanding of the issues facing Schools of Music on large campuses, and the ability to adapt to and initiate change
• Knowledge of leading arts and educational technologies and their potential in the university environment, and a commitment to innovation and expanding access to music programs through current and emerging technologies
• Collaborative and collegial administrative style

**Application Process.** This position is available July 1, 2009. To ensure full consideration, applications and statements of intent to apply should be submitted by **November 3, 2008**, when the Search Committee will begin reviewing applications. Applications received after this date may be considered at the discretion of the Committee and/or hiring authority.

Applications must be submitted via the University of Florida’s online application system at [https://jobs.ufl.edu/applicants/Central?quickFind=59157](https://jobs.ufl.edu/applicants/Central?quickFind=59157). Online applications must include the following: (1) a detailed letter of application; (2) resume or CV; (3) the names and contact information for five references. Creative materials supplemental to the application will be requested after the initial application review.

**Nominations.** Individuals wishing to nominate a candidate may submit nominations in writing to Dr. Laura Ellis, Chair of the School of Music Director Search at the address below or via email at lrellis@ufl.edu.

**Dr. Laura Ellis, Chair, School of Music Director Search**
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[http://www.arts.ufl.edu/resources/SOMDirector/](http://www.arts.ufl.edu/resources/SOMDirector/)

Further information about the College of Fine Arts is available at [http://www.arts.ufl.edu](http://www.arts.ufl.edu), and information about the School of Music is available at [http://www.arts.ufl.edu/music/](http://www.arts.ufl.edu/music/).

The University of Florida is an Equal Opportunity Employer. The selection process will be conducted in accord with the provisions of Florida’s ‘Government in the Sunshine’ and Public Records Laws. Search Committee meetings and interviews will be open to the public, and applications, resumes, and many other documents related to the search will be available for public inspection.