Established in 1997, Sonora Winds (a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization) is a 50 – 60 piece all volunteer multigenerational wind ensemble which plays level 3 – 6 band literature. Rehearsals are held on Wednesdays at 7pm at Catalina High School located at 3645 E Pima St, Tucson, AZ.

The group is looking for a Music Director for the season beginning in 2018. Rehearsals and concerts are held on Wednesday evenings at 7pm. The season runs from August through May and includes four concerts that are free to the public.

Interviews and auditions will be held during the 2017-2018 season as we look for a new long-term Music Director set to start the 2018 – 2019 season. The ideal candidate for this Tucson-based community ensemble will work closely with the executive board and endorse and support the objectives as laid out in the Bylaws:

- 1. To provide a musical contribution to the cultural life of the Tucson area through free concerts and educational programs
- 2. To cultivate and foster musical talent by providing an opportunity for qualified musicians to perform as guest artists or directors
- 3. To keep the interest in band literature alive and to expose players and audiences to a varied repertoire of band and wind ensemble literature

The Music Director shall exercise overall authority and responsibility for all matters musical, which shall include, but not be limited to, personnel decisions and rehearsal of repertoire. Responsibilities will include

- Determining, organizing and rehearsing repertoire
- Overseeing transportation of percussion instruments to concert venue(s)
- Conducting concerts
- Selecting guest artists and/or guest conductors
- Arranging for a substitute conductor when needed
- Scheduling of rehearsals and concerts
- Being involved in selections of personnel and seating
- Maintaining open communication with Executive Board and section leaders

A small stipend per service is available.

Please submit a cover letter and curriculum vitae electronically to:

Barbara Burnison <u>bjburnison@hotmail.com</u> or Marilyn McNamara <u>oboelady@cox.net</u> by **August 31, 2017**. Prospective candidates will be invited to rehearse and conduct a portion of a concert in the 2017 – 2018 season.

Please visit our website at: http://sonorawinds.homestead.com/