



**Hogeschool
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**University
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The Hague**

**Koninklijk
Conservatorium
Royal Conservatoire**

**Koninklijke Academie
van Beeldende Kunsten
Royal Academy of Art**

To strengthen the Early Music Vocal Studies, from September 2025, we are looking for an:

**Early Music Vocal Specialist
(seven to eight 2-day visits per academic year)**

Vacancynumber: 25-002

What we ask

Our new colleague is a recognized specialist of the German Baroque repertoire and has good knowledge of the English, French and Italian Baroque styles. You will be part of a team of four Early Music Specialists that together cover the four national historic areas. As an esteemed singer in the Early Music area, you play a crucial role in the musical development of our students and the development of the Early Music Vocal Studies (Bachelor and Master) as a whole. Namely:

- You visit The Royal Conservatoire seven to eight times a year to give individual lessons to students in various phases of their development. The main focus of the lessons lies in the style, language and interpretation (historical informed performance), and how technical input supports this;
- You play an important role in suggesting and choosing repertoire, suited to the level and abilities of the students;
- In collaboration with the respective voice teacher, you bear responsibility for, and inspire excellent development of the student's artistic and musical level;
- You contribute to a safe and inspiring learning environment that emphasises the student's responsibility for his/her learning process and their inquisitive and proactive study attitude;
- You participate in selection and assessment committees and participate in 3 (online) team meetings a year.

Your Profile

- You have obtained a completed vocal education at a Master level;
- You have broad international experience with Early Music (particularly German) repertoire and practice;
- You are an inspiring and communicative personality who is generous in sharing knowledge and experience with students and colleague teachers;
- You have an (international) network and are willing to use this for the ambitions and goals of the department;
- You have a good command of the English language, both orally and in writing;
- You preferably have experience/affinity with artistic research and are interested in curriculum innovation;
- You are interested to follow the conservatoire's "Artist as Teacher" training (thus obtaining a BKE-certificate).

What we offer

An inspiring and flexible position in a department in which collaboration and quality go hand in hand. A diverse team in which the expertise of all disciplines involved reinforces each other. A well-facilitated working environment in the new culture and education palace "Amare" in the heart of The Hague. A forward-looking curriculum in an international learning environment. The position is suited for a freelance



agreement, whereby travel and hotel costs will be covered. The collaboration will initially be for one academic year, with the possibility to prolongue after mutual interest.

Our organization

The Royal Conservatoire, together with the Royal Academy of Art, forms the University of the Arts The Hague. We offer HBO bachelor and master education, various preparatory courses, and in collaboration with Leiden University electives and a PhD programme. Studying at the Royal Conservatoire (KC) means studying at the oldest conservatory in the Netherlands, where experiment and innovation go hand in hand with tradition and craft. An inspiring learning environment where top international musicians and top dancers teach. Our education and research is about creating, recreating and presenting. This takes place at home and abroad, in close cooperation with other organisations, institutions and colleagues both locally and internationally. Our study programmes are based on a powerful triad of education, research and production; these elements form the DNA of our institute. Our learning environment and the music and dance professions are increasingly becoming intertwined. In early 2022, the Royal Conservatoire moved to its glorious new home called 'Amare' in the city centre of The Hague, where it shares facilities with the Residentie Orkest and Nederlands Dans Theater. Since 2024, the Hogeschool has been part of the European Universities Alliance IN.TUNE - Innovative Universities in Music & Arts in Europe (www.intune-alliance.eu).

The Vocal Department of KC

The Vocal Department offers the Vocal Studies (Classical Music and Early Music) as well as the Choral Conducting Studies of the Royal Conservatoire. Approximately 55 students study at preparatory, Bachelor and Master level. The Vocal Department is a playground for collaboration and connects intensively with other departments of the conservatoire, both formally and informally. Our alumni find their way to domestic and foreign opera houses, are active in chamber music and innovative musical theatre, teach and conduct or sing with professional choirs and ensembles. The starting point in our education is the contemporary vocalist, who is a flexible musician that moves in a variety of styles, and within various professional contexts.

Information and application

For more information about the position, please contact Marjolein Niels, head of the Vocal Department via: m.niels@koncon.nl. We would like to receive your CV , accompanied with representative recordings and a short motivation letter - no later than **January 21 2025** via werving@hdkden Haag.nl. Please mention the **vacancy number 25-002**.

The procedure will consist of a discussion with the head of the department and representatives of the Early Music staf and the vocal teaching staf and might be followed by a trial lesson. The procedure is intended to take place in March 2025.

Please note that acquisition is not appreciated. This vacancy is posted internally and externally at the same time.

Within the Hogeschool der Kunsten we work on a community where diversity and inclusion form the basis. We want the unique of each individual to be recognized and welcomed. We therefore invite you to apply, we are curious about who you are!