



Job Title: Calling Stage Manager
Reports to: Director of Production and Production Stage Manager
Works Closely with: Artistic Administrator, Production Staff, and Select Music & Artistic Staff

About Sarasota Opera

Sarasota Opera, which owns its 1926 historic theater, renovated in 2008, produces a winter festival season with four operas in repertory from January to March, and a fall season of varying size. Throughout both seasons, Sarasota Opera offers additional special events and concerts.

Position Summary

The Calling Stage Manager is a seasonal independent contractor who, under the guidance of the Production Stage Manager, is responsible for running all rehearsals for and calling one of the four winter season operas. There will additionally be concerts or events that will require support from Stage Management. They are also key in facilitating communication amongst many artistic and production departments. The Calling Stage Manager supervises two Assistant Stage Managers and delegates various show responsibilities to them.

Duties may include but are not limited to:

- Running all staging and technical rehearsals
- Creating, maintaining and finalizing all necessary production paperwork
- Supervising Assistant Stage Managers
- Ensuring that the rehearsal space is set for all music and staging rehearsals
- Working with the Artistic Administrator and Company Manager on the daily rehearsal schedule
- Running staging rehearsals for the production's cover cast
- Maintaining all artistic and production values during the run of the production
- Assisting with or stage managing concerts or other special events

Position Requirements

The successful candidate will possess the following knowledge and skills.

- Two years of experience as a Calling Stage Manager
- Previous work as an Opera SM is REQUIRED
- Music reading fluency
- Excellent organizational and communication skills as well as attention to detail
- Repertory experience preferred
- Experience with union crews preferred

Dates and Pay

- Specific dates will vary by production assignment, but generally early January through late March should be expected.
- This is a seasonal independent contractor position, the rate of pay ranges from \$700 to \$850+ per week based on previous experience. Housing, with private bedroom and potentially shared common spaces, and travel, either round trip airfare or travel stipend are provided.

Please Note

- We encourage BIPOC, LGBTQ+ candidates, and other historically excluded identities to apply
- To apply send a cover letter and resume including three references to prodjobs@sarasotaopera.org with "SM 2025-your last name" in the subject line
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