



Job Title: Stitcher

Reports to: Director of Production

Works Closely with: Resident Costume Designer and their Assistant

### **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 stitcher is a seasonal independent contractor who is responsible for working directly with our resident costume designer to prepare garments for Sarasota Opera's 2024 winter season. The winter season encompasses four mainstage operas running in rotating rep. The stitchers play a key role within a costume department that has a staff of fifteen. Including assembling of garments, assisting in fittings, doing alterations, and supervising volunteers as needed.

### **Duties may include but are not limited to:**

- Stitching garments
- Supervising others in assembly of garments
- Assisting in fittings
- Alteration of new and existing garments

### **Position Requirements**

The successful candidate will possess the following knowledge and skills

- At least 3 years of experience as a stitcher
- Experience in construction of period garments
- Knowledge of tailoring and men garments
- Ability to multitask and work in a demanding repertory environment

### **Dates and Pay**

- Winter Season: Early January to late March
- Possibility of pre-season work in the Fall
- This is a seasonal independent contractor position, the rate of pay ranges from \$500 to \$700 per week based on previous experience. Shared company housing and travel provided.

### **Please Note**

- We encourage BIPOC, LGBTQ+ candidates, and other historically excluded identities to apply.
- As part of our ongoing COVID 19 mitigation strategies, all employees and independent contractors will be required to adhere to COVID protocols based on prevailing conditions. Such protocols may include, but not limited to being fully vaccinated against COVID and the wearing of a mask.

Send cover letter and resume with three references to [prodjobs@sarasotaopera.org](mailto:prodjobs@sarasotaopera.org) with "Stitcher 2023-2024" in the subject line. For more information visit [www.sarasotaopera.org](http://www.sarasotaopera.org). EOE.