



Job Title: Wig and Makeup Staff

Reports to: Director of Production

Works Closely with: Wig and Makeup 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 Wig and Makeup staff is a seasonal independent contractor who is responsible for construction of wigs and application of both wigs and makeup for Sarasota Opera's season. The season encompasses four main stage opera productions. The wig and makeup staff will be involved with all aspects of the operation of the wig and makeup department. Including preparation of the wig and makeup shop for the season, building / styling wigs, application of wigs and makeup for each production, wig maintenance and end of season strike.

Duties may include but are not limited to:

- Wig building, styling, and maintenance
- Makeup and wig application
- Hair prep and wig application
- Backstage quick changes

Position Requirements

The successful candidate will possess the following knowledge and skills

- At least 2 years of experience in theatrical wigs and makeup
- Knowledge of wig styling and maintenance
- Knowledge of Opera style makeup application
- Knowledge of wig construction
- Ability to multitask and work in a demanding repertory environment
- Evening and weekend work required

Dates and Pay

- Winter Season: early January to late March
- Fall Season: late September to mid November
- This is a seasonal independent contractor position, the rate of pay ranges from \$600 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
- To apply send a cover letter and resume including three references to prodjobs@sarasotaopera.org with "Wig Staff 2026 - your last name" in the subject line
- Please tell us how you heard about this posting
- All applications are welcome, but only those being considered will be contacted.
- For more information, visit www.sarasotaopera.org
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