

## **Costume Intern**

### **Charlottesville Opera**

**Dates:** June 5 – July 21

**Location:** Charlottesville, VA

**Compensation:** \$2,500–\$3,000 (based on experience)

### **Position Overview**

Charlottesville Opera seeks a motivated and detail-oriented Costume Intern to join our production team for the summer season. This is an immersive, hands-on opportunity to gain practical experience in a professional opera environment while working closely with an experienced costume designer, assistant, and production staff.

The Costume Intern will play an integral role in supporting costume preparation, fittings, and maintenance throughout rehearsals and performances.

### **Key Responsibilities**

- Assist with costume alterations and basic construction
- Support and participate in performer fittings
- Maintain costumes during rehearsals and performances
- Steam and press garments as needed
- Perform costume laundry and organization
- Assist with packing and shipping of costumes
- Interact professionally with performers, designers, and staff

### **Qualifications**

- Must be 18 years of age or older
- Demonstrated sewing experience (required)
- Ability to lift up to 50 pounds
- Ability to climb stairs and be on your feet for extended periods
- Strong attention to detail and organizational skills
- Positive attitude and willingness to learn in a fast-paced environment
- Must reside in the Charlottesville area and have reliable transportation

### **Time Commitment**

- Approximately 30 hours per week
- Availability required from June 5 through July 21

### **Requirements**

- One professional reference who can speak to sewing ability

### **What You'll Gain**

- Hands-on experience in a professional opera company
- Mentorship from an experienced costume designer
- Production credit in the season program

### **How to Apply**

Interested applicants should submit:

- A brief paragraph expressing interest
- A current CV
- One reference (sewing-related)

Please send materials to: [leanne@charlottesvilleopera.org](mailto:leanne@charlottesvilleopera.org)

Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis, and the position will be filled once a suitable candidate is identified.