



Costume Shop Apprentice

Aurora Mission:

Aurora Theatre is committed to producing quality, professional theatre for the Southeast, Metro-Atlanta, and our most ardent supporters, the residents of Gwinnett County. We will serve these communities by offering entertainment that nurtures a love of theatre and develops a new generation of theatergoers.

Things to Consider:

- The Costume Shop apprenticeship does not offer academic credit
- The apprenticeship is a year in length, beginning in June 2019 and ending in June 2020
- The apprenticeship is full time – 40 plus hours per week
- Prospective apprentices should carefully evaluate their individual financial situations when applying for the program
- A weekly stipend of \$250 will be available, a slight bump will be available when working additional hours during tech/opening.
- The apprenticeship is a full-time commitment. An outside job cannot be relied upon as an income supplement
- Housing should be secured prior to beginning the apprenticeship

What you can expect from this Apprenticeship:

- Develop professional theatre protocol
- Refine your interpersonal skills
- Approach your career realistically
- Gain professional credit and your foot in the door to the professional theatre world
- Work closely with regional and national artistic talent
- Work with other theatres and see productions in Atlanta for FREE or very low cost
- Cross train with Aurora Theatre's Acting Apprentice company, Technical Theatre and Stage Management Apprentices through classes with Aurora Theatre's artistic staff

Facilities:

Metro Waterproofing Mainstage Theatre, seating 250 with a 40-foot proscenium stage, houses Aurora's three musicals, three straight plays, two theatre for young audience productions, and special events. Operates under an Equity Small Professional Theatre contract (Level 8)

Peach State Federal Credit Union Studio, flexible seating for 90, a black box space which serves as a performance studio for Aurora's two Harvel Lab Series productions, a one-man version of a Christmas Carol, a one-man version of It's a Wonderful Life, a Teatro Aurora offering, and special events.



Description and Expectations:

- The Apprentice will work with the build/design team to execute high quality garments that realize the design of each production
- The Apprentice will have the opportunity to learn about the process of styling and maintaining wigs during production
- The Apprentice will have the opportunity to serve as an Assistant to the Designer and will attend design production meetings during the design process
- The Apprentice will be responsible for daily laundry and maintenance of costumes for Mainstage and Studio productions. Additionally, the Apprentice will be responsible for weekly drop-off and pick-up of dry cleaning.
- The Apprentice will lend support to projects/special events, as needed
- The Apprentice may be asked to act as a wardrobe run crew cover, as needed
- The Apprentice will assist with the maintenance and restocking of inventory
- The Apprentice will oversee the annual Costume Shop Rummage Sale
- The Apprentice will have the opportunity to design for the Apprentice Showcase at the end of the season
- The Apprentice will report directly to the Company Manager and Costume Shop Manager (on Mainstage musicals). Monthly meetings will be expected to assess goals and progress. Additionally, there will be a mid-year and end-of year evaluation with Aurora Theatre's artistic staff members
- Proficiency in theatrical costume construction is essential
- The work requires great organizational skills and close contact with directors, designers, and Aurora's fulltime staff
- It is essential that the Apprentice be able to interact with a wide variety of personalities and adapt to various working styles. This includes being able to receive evaluations of his/her work
- The Apprentice must stay focused, take initiative, and maintain a professional demeanor in the work place
- Promptness is mandatory. Tardiness is not tolerated
- Basic computer skills are required
- A degree in Theatre with a Costume Construction emphasis or the professional equivalent is desired

Application Procedure:

Each candidate must submit the following items together in one package:

1. A current resume including educational and professional experience plus an ID snapshot or photo
2. Two (2) letters of reference
3. A personal statement of at least 250 words describing the candidate's expectations of the Apprentice Program and how it relates to his or her individual career goals



Application Deadline:

March 15, 2019, with interviews being conducted in late-March.

Send Application to:

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For more information about Aurora Theatre, please visit: <https://www.auroratheatre.com/>