

Position Overview

Job Title: Costume Artisan

Reports to: Costume Shop Manager

FLSA Status: Salaried Non-exempt

Compensation Rate: \$ 575.00/wk (avg. 40 hrs + OT)

Benefits: Company Recognized Holidays, Barter Partnership Programs & Discounts, Housing

Position Summary

Barter Theatre seeks a Costume Artisan to be a part of our costume shop team for the 2025 summer rep construction period. The costume artisan will collaborate with other costume artisans and designers to fulfill the artistic vision for Barter's summer productions of *Thurgood*, *Frozen*, *A Few Good Men*, and *Mountain Mama's*. **Contract dates are March 31 - May 25, 2025.**

Responsibilities

- Assist in the preparation and completion of costumes/pieces for all phases of the build - may include cutting, stitching, altering, and crafting
- Assist with notes from rehearsals/tech rehearsals
- Assist in maintaining a clean and safe work environment
- Other duties as assigned

Qualification & Experience

- Minimum of two years experience actively constructing/producing costumes for performance
- Proven advanced dressmaking skills – machine and hand sewing
- Ability to read and interpret sewing patterns and generally accepted garment construction markings
- Proficiency with sewing and pressing/steaming equipment
- Working knowledge of costume/fashion history
- Intermediate costume crafts skills
- Strong communication and diplomacy skills
- Collaborative, team-oriented work ethic

Organizational Overview

Currently celebrating its 91st year, Barter Theatre is a repertory company of resident artists dedicated to serving others by creating world-class theater in the heart of Appalachia. Barter's vision is to maintain a sustainable model of producing world-class theater that entertains, engages, and connects artists and audience, while reflecting the inherently Appalachian values of hard work, generosity, service, and story. Barter produces musicals, classic plays, and new work March-December including the nationally renowned initiatives Appalachian Festival of Plays and Playwrights and Black Stories Black Voices.

Equal Employment Opportunity Commitment

Equal employment opportunity and an inclusive and representative staff are fundamental at Barter Theater. Our employment and promotional opportunities are based upon individual capabilities and qualifications without regard to race, color, religion, gender, pregnancy, sexual orientation/preference,

political position, age, national origin, marital status, citizenship, disability, veteran status, or any other protected characteristic as established under law.

To Apply

To apply for this position, please submit a current resume, cover letter, and three references to asullivan@bartertheatre.com. Cover letters should include why this position and organization are attractive to you and what you feel you bring to the table that makes you a great fit for Barter Theatre.