



Stitching Apprentice

The Stitching Apprentice will learn the essential skills of garment construction and costume repair — helping transform fabric and design into finished pieces ready for the stage. Under the mentorship of a qualified costume technician, staff member, or experienced alum, this apprentice will gain hands-on experience in sewing, alteration, and costume maintenance for theatrical productions.

Throughout the program, the apprentice will:

- Learn and practice hand and machine sewing techniques used in costume construction and repair.
- Assist in altering, fitting, and finishing costumes to ensure proper comfort, movement, and appearance on stage.
- Support Costume Design and Wardrobe Apprentices by helping bring design sketches to life through skilled stitching and craftsmanship.
- Gain familiarity with patterns, fabric types, and costume construction methods used in theatre.
- Help with organization, labeling, and storage of costumes and accessories.
- Provide maintenance and quick-repair assistance during rehearsals and performances as needed.

This apprenticeship emphasizes patience, precision, and humility. Apprentices must be open to learning new techniques, taking direction carefully, and dedicating time outside of rehearsal and school hours to complete projects on schedule. A spirit of curiosity and craftsmanship is vital — stitching is both a technical skill and an art form that supports the creative vision of every production.

This is not a leadership position, but a learning opportunity for students eager to build confidence in sewing, develop practical backstage skills, and gain insight into the collaborative world of theatrical costuming.