

Vacancy: Chaperones



Scottish Opera is seeking 4-6 experienced and reliable chaperones to support our young performers in an exciting new touring production from August to the end of November 2025. This is a fantastic opportunity to work in opera while ensuring the safeguarding and well-being of young people involved in the production.

Contract: Casual Fixed Term (August – November 2025)

Rehearsals Commence: 21 August 2025

Performance Period: 11 October- 22 November 2025 inclusive

Location: Rehearsals in Glasgow. Performances in Glasgow, Edinburgh, Aberdeen and Inverness.

Rate of Pay: £13.35 - £15.59 (per hour)

Hours: Variable, including evenings and weekends, depending on the production schedule. Touring within Scotland will also be required.

Responsibilities:

- Supervise and care for our young performers during rehearsals, performances and while on tour
- Ensure the young performers safety, supporting and promoting their well-being at all times
- Stay overnight to accompany young performers when on tour away from their parents/ guardians, as required
- Ensure the young performers are provided with refreshments and meals during breaks as required and when on tour
- Assist with sign-in and sign-out procedures
- Complete daily record sheets
- Provide supportive , supervised environment for young people to continue school work where required during tour periods away from school
- Liaise with production staff, parents/guardians, and stage management
- Adhere to child protection policies and safeguarding regulations at all times
- Ensure correct breaks are being followed

- Be able to judge when a young performer is not well enough to rehearse/perform or is too tired to concentrate and take appropriate action
- Maintain a positive and professional environment for the young performers at all times

Essential Requirements:

- Previous experience working with children/young people in a professional or performance setting
- PVG (Protecting Vulnerable Groups) Scheme membership or willingness to apply
- Strong communication and organisational skills
- Ability to work as part of a team in a fast-paced environment
- A friendly, patient, and professional attitude

Scottish Opera may offer training to support individuals engaged for the role, if required.

How to Apply: If you are interested in joining Scottish Opera as a chaperone, please send your CV and a short cover letter detailing your experience with children and any relevant qualifications to natalie.rowan@scottishopera.org.uk

Deadline for Applications: Thursday 1 May 2025 (5:30pm)

Please note Scottish Opera is unable to consider late applications

Interviews will be held in Glasgow week commencing Monday 1 June 2025.

Scottish Opera is committed to diversity and inclusion and welcomes applications from people of all backgrounds.