



Dutch National Opera & Ballet is looking for a:

FIRST TAILOR (men's costume workshop opera)

(38 hours per week)

About us

Dutch National Opera & Ballet is one of The Netherlands' largest cultural organisations and is located in the heart of Amsterdam. In our theatre, magic is created on stage. Together with over 600 colleagues representing 30 nationalities, we work every day on various productions for opera and ballet. Every detail counts, which is why we value the concept of craftsmanship throughout the entire organisation. Would you like to have an active part in this?

About the job

Twelve people work in the men's workshop. The workshop is part of the Costume, Wigs & Make-up Department (e.g. Kostuum, Kap & Grime: KKG). KKG has its own dyeing shop, milliner's shop, shoemaker's shop and purchasing department. For ever-changing costume designers, the men's workshop make or alter costumes for soloists, choristers and extras. The designs vary from contemporary to classical and fantasy.

As first tailor, you are responsible, in consultation with the head of the men's workshop, for the technical implementation of costume designs. In addition to making costumes yourself, you will also prepare and coordinate tasks for your department and give work instructions.

The most important activities are:

- assisting the head of the men's workshop with the development of new costume productions;
- drawing patterns;
- preparing fabrics, cutting costumes and assembling them for costume fittings, in consultation with the head of the men's workshop;
- producing prototypes/costumes;
- supervising the fittings;
- supervising/ further training of cutters;
- attending costume rehearsals;
- occasionally replacing the head of the men's workshop.

We are looking for

We are looking for a pleasant and skilled colleague to reinforce our team. You are an expert in your field and enjoy being challenged and sharing your knowledge. You have extensive experience making theatre costumes and knowledge of costume history. You are good at organising your own work and that of others. Colleagues like to work with you and you make artists/clients feel at ease during costume fittings. A good command of English is a necessity, and you're willing to learn Dutch. Knowledge of Basic Level German, Italian or French is a valuable plus. You adapt naturally when needed, and being a supportive colleague for your co-workers speaks for itself.

What we offer

- a position in which you are challenged as a professional;
- a salary that, depending on knowledge and experience, amounts to a minimum of € 2,247 to a maximum of € 3,172 per month, excluding 8% holiday allowance;
- a one year contract;
- 30 holidays and 5 ATV days;
- a pension scheme, contribution to travel costs and some nice extras such as the possibility of attending performances.

For more information about this position, please contact, Jan-Willem Poringa, head of the men's workshop, j.poringa@operaballet.nl

Piqued your interest?

Please apply by sending us a letter of motivation and CV before January 10, 2022 via:

<https://werk.operaballet.nl/eng/vacaturebank/eerste-coupeur-herenatelier-opera>

A trial week is part of the selection process.

Dutch National Opera & Ballet embraces diversity and inclusiveness. Vacancies are open to everyone, regardless of cultural and/or social background.