Victorian Lyric Opera Company COVID-19 Protocols

GENERAL

- All VLOC participants must be fully vaccinated against COVID-19.
- Vaccination boosters are highly recommended as you become eligible.
- All persons in rehearsal must wear a mask. KN95s are encouraged and preferred.
- Hand sanitation/washing should be done at the beginning and end of the period you are rehearsing. (Wash hands for 20 seconds with soap and water or rub on hand sanitizer for 20 seconds)
- Actors and crew must wear a mask and wash/sanitize hands before makeup or costume sessions.

IF YOU ARE EXPERIENCING SYMPTOMS OF COVID-19

- Anyone experiencing symptoms of COVID-19 should <u>stay home</u> and notify the stage manager as soon as possible via email or phone.
- It is highly recommended to get an at-home or rapid test; if either is positive, seek out PCR test for confirmation (and see next section)
- Stay home as long as symptoms exist

IF YOU ARE POSITIVE FOR COVID-19

- Persons who test positive for COVID should <u>stay home</u> and notify the stage manager as soon as possible via email or phone.
- Stage manager will notify the directors and producers of absence. Confidentiality from the rest of the cast will be maintained.
- Assessment of any possible exposure to the rest of the cast will be conducted by stage manager, directors, and producers. Any necessary communication will follow.
- Person is not allowed to return to rehearsals until testing negative through PCR test and providing those results to the production team.

IF YOU HAVE BEEN BEEN EXPOSED TO COVID-19

- If you are exposed/come into close contact (According to <u>CDC</u>: within 6 feet of an
 infected person for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period)
 please notify the stage manager via email or phone call as soon as possible with your
 circumstances.
- Stage manager will notify the directors and producers of these circumstances and assessment will occur of next steps (recommendation of quarantine or testing) before return to rehearsals.
- Confidentiality from the rest of the cast will be maintained.
- Assessment of exposure to the rest of the cast will be conducted by stage manager, directors, and producers. Any necessary mass communication will follow.

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MASS EXPOSURE PROTOCOL

(If someone comes to rehearsal/show and is positive for COVID-19)

- Infected person must notify the stage manager and directors immediately via email or phone call.
- Stage manager/directors will notify producers, who will handle immediate communication to the cast.
- Notification will be sent to all persons affected/in proximity- the infected person WILL NOT BE IDENTIFIED PUBLICLY.
- Depending on length of time spent at rehearsal and proximity to all, CDC guidelines will be followed and encouraged: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/your-health/quarantine-isolation.html
- Rehearsals will be cancelled for those exposed and conditions of returning to rehearsal (possibilities to include quarantine and negative PCR testing) will be determined and communicated by the production team.