

Saint Louis Story Stitchers Artists Collective Covid 19 Policies

In effect September 1, 2021, until further notice.

The health, safety, and well-being—and that of our artists, staff, volunteers, audience, and community—is our top priority at Saint Louis Story Stitchers.

Saint Louis Story Stitchers will continue to follow the guidance and mandates set forth by public health and our local government. Please see St. Louis City Guidelines effective 7/26/21: As COVID-19 hospitalizations rise and the Delta variant spreads, the City of St. Louis and St. Louis County will require masks to be worn in indoor public places and on public transportation beginning Monday. Exceptions will include people who are seated in a restaurant or bar eating and drinking and individuals with disabilities that prevent them from putting on or removing face coverings.

Alongside City and County health departments, Saint Louis Story Stitchers stresses the importance of getting a COVID-19 vaccine. It is the safest and best way for both protecting against SARS-CoV-2 and limiting the spread of the virus. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, vaccines have been shown to reduce hospitalizations due to COVID-19 by 87% percent. A list of where to find a vaccine near you can be found on the City COVID-19 Vaccine Information website.

Saint Louis Story Stitchers, citing rising Covid-19 cases in the region, announced September 1, 2021, that it plans to require proof of vaccination or proof of a negative Covid-19 test within the past 72 hours for access to its indoor studio and stage spaces for people over age 12 who wish to enter.

Effective September 1st, 2021, all people who are 12 years or older who wish to enter Story Stitchers venues will need to bring a photo ID and either their physical vaccination card or a photo of their vaccination card. Unvaccinated people, including unvaccinated children over the age of 12, must provide proof of a negative COVID-19 test: either a PCR test taken within 72 hours of the activity start time or an antigen test taken within 24 hours of the activity start time.

Story Stitchers policy also includes mandatory mask wearing indoors, social distancing, and frequent hand washing and use of hand sanitizer.

All Staff, Contractors, Vendors, & Volunteers are required to wear protective face coverings at all times while working with the general public, directly with youth participants, artists and producing entities.

Venues will undergo regular cleanings with increased disinfecting procedures and Story Stitchers will provide masks and make hand sanitizer available.

The policy does not apply to people accessing programs in virtual, outdoor or open air spaces. Wearing masks outdoors, especially in group settings, will be strongly encouraged.

Visit stlouis-mo.gov to learn more.

City of St. Louis Department of Health Covid 109 Hotline:
314-657-1499

For more on Story Stitchers Covid 19 Policies and Procedures please visit:
<https://storystitchers.org/covid-19-safety-policies-and-procedures/>

For a list of testing locations, please visit our website at www.kranzbergartsfoundation.org

Thank you for your cooperation.

We look forward to serving you.

Board of Directors
Saint Louis Story Stitchers Artists Collective

Policy change approved by the Board of Directors on September 1, 2021