Long Wharf Theatre Job Posting

Head Scenic Carpenter

Department: Production
Reports to: Technical Director (TD)
Direct Reports: N/A
Classification: This is a full-time seasonal, non-exempt (hourly) position, eligible for an array of benefits including health & dental insurance
Compensation: $21.00/hour
Dates: ASAP until June 19, 2022, with possibility of extension
How to apply: Please submit resume and cover letter to human.resources@longwharf.org. Please include in the subject line: “Head Scenic Carpenter”

The Invitation:

Long Wharf Theatre is a gathering place dedicated to producing boundary-breaking theatre with and for its kaleidoscopic communities. We believe that theatre is for everyone, and that art and activism can live side by side. We are committed to building boundary-breaking theatre with, for, and by the greater New Haven community. We are seeking a Head Scenic Carpenter to be responsible for building and ensuring scenery is built and installed to given specifications and as directed.

The Work Environment and Culture:
The leadership at LWT cares deeply about staff culture and development. Members of the LWT staff are encouraged to engage in courageous conversations within departments and interdepartmentally. There is a belief within the organization that great art comes from great relationships. LWT supports and cares for team members as a reflection of the quality of artistic exploration on our stages.

The Duties (including, but not limited to):

- Ensure all scenic pieces are built to the specifications of the drawings and direction provided by the TD.
- Oversee the daily workflow of the shop floor in consultation with the TD.
- Construct scenery by implementing industry standard wood and metal working techniques.
- Participate and assist in running load-ins and strikes.
- Maintain a high level of execution and a safe, clean working environment.
- Execute safe rigging practices.
- Assist in the maintenance of equipment and production facilities.
- Perform related duties as assigned by supervisor.
- Maintain compliance with all company policies and procedures.
- Attend trainings in administrative procedures as required.
- Attend safety trainings as required.

The Skills & Expertise Needed:

- High proficiency with the following:
  - Fine carpentry and joinery
  - Wood construction techniques
  - M.I.G. welding steel
  - Shop math
  - Reading and following construction drawings and ground plans
- Maintain regular punctual attendance.
- Must be able to talk, listen, and speak clearly on telephone.
- Commitment to working within an organization dedicated to advancing anti-racism, gender equity, and radical inclusion.
- Provable eligibility to work in the US.

Physical Requirements:

- Ability to move and break down a sheet of 3/4” plywood.
- Comfortable working at height on ladders, scaffolding, and aerial lifts.
- Ability to work full days on your feet.
- Strong hand eye coordination.

The Experience Needed:

- Experience rigging in a fixed grid without catwalks.
- Experience in managing a crew of diverse experiences, ranging from 2 to 8 people.
- Proficient in carpentry and set repairs.
- Interest in/knowledge of live theatre or the performing arts.

*Full vaccination against COVID-19 is required as a condition of employment.