

**Actors Theatre of Louisville**  
**DECK CARPENTER (SEASONAL)**  
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**Position:** Deck Carpenter (Seasonal)  
**Reports To:** Associate Technical Director  
**Department:** Sets  
**FLSA:** Non-Exempt  
**Start Date:** 07/31/2017  
**End Date:** 04/22/2018

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**About Actors Theatre of Louisville:**

Actors Theatre of Louisville, the Tony-Award winning State Theatre of Kentucky, seeks qualified and passionate applicants for the position of Deck Carpenter (Seasonal).

Under the leadership of Artistic Director Les Waters and Managing Director Kevin E. Moore, Actors Theatre serves to unlock human potential, build community and enrich quality of life by engaging people in theatre that reflects the wonder and complexity of our time.

Actors Theatre presents almost 350 performances annually across three theatres and delivers a broad range of programming impacting local and national audiences with a particular focus on new play development influencing the field of American theatre. Programs include classical repertory and contemporary work through the Brown-Forman Series, holiday favorites cherished as annual traditions, the Humana Festival of New American Plays influencing the canon of American theatre, an Education program where students see and make plays, and a theatre training program for 40+, the Professional Training Company.

**Summary of Position:**

The Deck Carpenter will supervise run crew, achieve stage management directives and provide on-site technical support for a production in rehearsal and performance.

**Essential Functions:**

- Participate in large scene changes involving movement of furniture, set pieces, and properties during technical rehearsals and performances. Scene changes may include but are not limited to the operation of winches, elevators, fly systems, physically lifting or maneuvering an item, or any combination of the above. Scene changes may be either backstage or in full view of the audience.
- Assist in resolving problems involved with moving scenery including rigging, winches, elevators and revolves.

- Maintain a high awareness of the installation of scenery on all assigned stages, including mechanically moving pieces, stationary pieces and flying pieces.
- Assume leadership of the installation of scenery without direct supervision when required by the demands of the production.
- Ensure design specifications and installation meet fire and ADA codes.
- Prepare area around stage: including special railings, seat installation or removal or painting vomms and tiers.
- Assist Stage Management with coordinating additional run crew.
- Execute periodic and daily inspections of all stage equipment.
- Assist with any duties necessary for the smooth running of the performance and consistently reproduce technical accuracy in performance related duties.
- Collect and provide documentation of all performance related duties.
- Maintain and repair all physical equipment related to show operation after opening night. Additional assistance from the scenic department may be necessary for large repairs.
- Maintain appearance of set, furniture, or properties by making repairs or consulting with Properties or Scenic staff.
- Consult with designers and/or other supervisors on specific solutions to problems.
- Provide leadership for scenery and properties changeovers during repertory production runs.
- Attend spacing rehearsals, shift rehearsals, brush-up rehearsals and understudy rehearsals.
- Purchase and maintain all scenery and prop expendables during the run of a production.
- Assist other departments as time and production needs demand.
- Assist with major maintenance or renovation of stages, storage areas, backstage shops, etc.
- Assist in maintenance or renovation of building requiring special skills.
- Carry out other duties and responsibilities that may be assigned by direct supervisor or management.

***Knowledge, Skills and Abilities:***

- Broad knowledge in carpentry, metal working, sewing, rigging, tools, theatrical machinery and products.
- Strong communication skills.
- Ability to understand theatrical production including experience with properties, lighting, sound and video projection.
- Ability to understand mechanical movements and associated cause and effect relationships within mechanical and automated systems
- Ability to lift, push, pull or otherwise maneuver up to 70 lbs repeatedly, either alone or with assistance.

- Ability to work on ladders, mechanical lifts or other high places.
- Ability to work comfortable in confined spaces.
- Ability to exhibit multiple leadership styles as appropriate to various tasks.
- Ability to work as a team member and maintain a positive attitude in stressful situations.
- Ability to unite and collaborate with staff, stakeholders, community leaders and vendors.

**Minimum Qualifications:**

- High School diploma or equivalent.
- Two (2) years professional experience.
- Work a flexible schedule, including evenings and weekends.
- Must be highly motivated and a self-starter.

**Preferred Qualifications:**

- Working knowledge of theatre preferred.

**Compensation:**

Compensation will be competitive with similar positions throughout the region. The range of benefits includes medical and dental insurance, long-term and short-term disability insurance, paid time off and a 403(b) retirement plan.

**To Apply:**

Applicants for this position should email Cover letter, Resume, Salary requirements and Three (3) Professional References to:

Braden Blauser, Associate Technical Director  
Email: [bblauser@actorstheatre.org](mailto:bblauser@actorstheatre.org)

**No phone calls please.**

Actors Theatre is committed to recruiting and fostering a diverse community of staff and students. Individuals from traditionally under-represented groups are encouraged to apply. AA/EOE