# Job Announcement

Position: Scenic Carpenter/Charge Artist

Job type: Full-time

Salary: $42,000 per year

Job Description

Hickory Community Theatre in Hickory, NC is seeking a year-round full-time scenic carpenter/charge artist.

The scenic carpenter is responsible for the implementation, construction, painting, and management of all scenic elements for our two main performance spaces: the 320-seat Jeffers Theatre proscenium stage, and the cabaret-style Firemen’s Kitchen both located in the 100-year-old former Hickory City Hall.

An ideal candidate is a motivated and creative individual who can work both independently as well as a collaborator. 3 years of experience of relative experience is desired.

Reporting directly to the artistic director, the scenic director/charge artist takes the lead and manages volunteers, in the construction and fabrication of all scenic elements. They also are responsible for managing their budget and construction schedule.

Candidates with undergraduate degrees, graduate degrees and/or equivalent work experience will all be considered.

Responsibilities:

* Oversee and work respectfully with volunteers and contractors working on productions.
* Oversee aspects of planning, scheduling, builds, load-ins, along with tech rehearsals, and strikes.
* Work with the artistic director on season budgets, then maintain budget and track expenses.
* Maintain accurate inventory.
* Maintain a safe, workspace in all production departments.
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* The ability to design/produce needed technical and construction drawings is plus.

Qualifications and experience:

* Bachelor's Degree in this discipline OR equivalent work experience
* Technical Theatre: 3 years (Preferred)
* Ability to follow and understand computer-aided drafting software.
* Proficiency with carpentry and engineering for theatrical production.
* Familiar with and able to implement and execute common theatrical practices and procedures.
* Successful experience leading, educating and supervising volunteer work crews
* Ability to repeatedly lift, push, or maneuver 50-70 lbs.
* Ability to repeatedly climb and work on ladders
* Valid Driver’s License

Additional Information:

Reports to: Artistic Director

Benefits (fully paid by HCT):

• Dental insurance

• Health insurance reimbursement

• Short-Term Disability insurance

• Vision insurance

• Paid vacation, holidays, and sick leave.

Schedule:

• Monday to Friday

• Weekend availability

• Present for all tech-week rehearsals, and occasional show maintenance.

To apply please submit a cover letter, complete resume and work samples (including construction drawings, renderings and photos) to Eric Seale, Artistic Director, c/o jobs@hickorytheatre.org. No phone calls please.