



Technician (11 month contract) Workshop and Facilities Department

Job Description

Overview:

The Lir National Academy of Dramatic Art at Trinity College Dublin, founded in 2011, is seeking to appoint a Technician for the workshop and facilities departments. The Lir Academy's aim is to train stage managers, theatre technicians, actors, designers, directors and playwrights to the highest international standards for careers in the theatre and allied professions.

The Lir was developed by a partnership of the Cathal Ryan Trust and Trinity College Dublin in association with the world-renowned Royal Academy of Dramatic Art (RADA) in London. We train actors, designers, directors, playwrights, stage managers and theatre technicians to the highest international standards for careers in the theatre and the allied professions of film, television, radio and new media. The training on offer is closely linked to the ever-changing needs and directions of the performing arts industries.

Training at The Lir is predominantly practise based and to facilitate this ten theatre productions and two short films are produced annually. Alongside this there is the delivery of classes and technical support provided to the internal acting projects and external collaborations.

A technician in the technical department is required to join the team of full time and part time staff that are responsible for the delivery of the technical courses and the smooth running of the Lir's resources.

Post Summary:

The primary role of the Technician is to provide support for the work carried out in the workshops, in house events and the facilities department.

Principal Duties and Responsibilities:

Technical Department

- Under direction of staff, the technician will engage with the students in the realising of theatre sets by offering a practical, mentoring and supervisory role.
- Engage with the upkeep and maintenance of the departments and the associated equipment and workshops.
- Work on Lir Academy productions as the need arises.
- Deliver related training support to other students of The Lir.
- Based on successful candidates individual strengths there will be opportunities to work within other technical departments.

Events and Facilities

- Offer support to all events happening at The Lir Academy.
- Work with the Facilities Manager and administration staff to ensure the Academy's training spaces are well managed and maintained.
- Ensure that The Lir is a safe working environment and that Lir health and safety policies are followed.
- Other duties as required by the Director of Technical Training.

Person Specification

Qualifications, Knowledge & Experience

- Experience working in a theatre environment is essential
- Experience in set construction is essential
- Experience in stage craft is an advantage
- Previous teaching experience is an advantage
- Experience in scenic painting is an advantage
- Experience in construction workshops is an advantage
- Experience of equipment repair and maintenance is an advantage

Competencies

- Interest in working within a training environment
- Ability to work in a team
- Ability to lead and support student teams
- Excellent organisational and time management skills
- Ability to work on own initiative
- Punctuality
- Strong communication skills, both interpersonal and written
- Motivated: displays a 'can-do' attitude; is committed to The Lir and its goals

Terms and Conditions of Employment

The position is offered as a 35 hour per week for a 39 week contract that runs over the period of October 29th 2019 to September 26th 2020 and includes an initial six month probationary period. Due to the nature of The Lir's work there will be busy periods with time off given to meet contract hours

The hours will also cover events and performances which may take place over Saturday and Sunday. The Technician will report directly to the Director of Technical Training and work under relevant department heads.

Salary - Pro Rata over the period of the contract based on a €23-26K annual salary, commensurate with experience.

Application details:

Interested candidates should submit a letter of application and a full CV to recruitment@thelir.ie

Deadline: Wednesday 16th Oct 2019 @ 5pm

Interview Dates and Selection methods

Short-listing of candidates will be on the basis of the information contained in their CV and covering letter.

Short listed candidates will be contacted re interviews which will be the week commencing October 21st 2019