



## JOB DESCRIPTION: SENIOR SOUND TECHNICIAN

### **Overall purpose of Job:**

To run and oversee the BRB Sound equipment and provision, working to the highest standards of effectiveness. Based mainly at the BRB Workshops (currently in Dudley) during non-Performance weeks. **You will be required to attend and support all performance weeks/events at The Birmingham Hippodrome and on tour both in the UK and abroad.**

Reports to: Head of Lighting & or Technical Manager LX/AV

Manages: LX/AV Technicians, Local Crew & Casual Staff

Supervises: BRB contracted 'Casuals' and Local crew, as briefed by the Head of Lighting or Technical Manager LX/AV

### **KEY RESPONSIBILITIES**

#### **I Technical Supervision / Duties**

- 1.1 To lead on all programming, specification and operation of live sound mixing as well as of recorded music. To install and supervise the BRB sound system into all venues and performance spaces in Birmingham, on tour around the UK and globally. To install and oversee the effective audio enhancement of the Royal Ballet Sinfonia. To be familiar with and proficient on BRB specified digital and analogue sound consoles.
- 1.2 To oversee the maintenance improvement and upgrading of the BRB sound system as required.
- 1.3. To assist with the installation of all BRB radios, RF, Comms, Bolero. Punqtum, IR MD and stage camera systems, Stage Management control and show critical infrastructure, as well as assist when required to install lighting networks on tour.
- 1.4 To assist with the preparation, installation, operation, packing, storage and maintenance of all Sound requirements and equipment.
- 1.5 To assist with the supervision, maintenance and operation of BRB video projection, still projection and special effects and, if applicable, liaise with and assist any outside company or technician contracted by BRB for this purpose.
- 1.6 To ensure any technical problems are resolved with maximum efficiency.

## **II Technical Maintenance**

- 2.1 To ensure that the workshop and storage areas are clean, secured, maintained and adequately equipped for their purpose.
- 2.2 To ensure, by reporting regularly to the Head of Lighting or Technical Manager, that adequate stocks are maintained.
- 2.3 To ensure that all equipment in service is in a safe condition and complies with relevant legislation, and that any damaged equipment is repaired or replaced at the earliest opportunity.

## **III Management & Administration**

- 3.1 Based mainly at BRB workshops in Dudley during non-performance weeks, to support the Head of Lighting with the supervision of staff attendance, work, motivation and well-being, in order to build an effective team.
- 3.2 To assist with the prompt induction of all staff.
- 3.3 To promote an alert approach to Health & Safety, ensuring correct working methods and safe working practices are adhered to.
- 3.4 To ensure staff understand the need for and demonstrate Company support and co-operation by responding positively and effectively to any problem, query or complaint.
- 3.5 To ensure all pertinent Company policies and Agreements are understood and implemented.
- 3.6 To carry out such administration as may be required efficiently and ensure that accurate and complete records are maintained.
- 3.7 To attend and participate in such meetings that will promote sound communication, liaison and decision making with colleagues and local venues and staff.  
To provide regular information regarding progress of work to the Senior Lighting Technicians, Head of Lighting and Technical Manager, reporting on problems at the earliest possible stage.

## **IV Unsocial Hours / Travel by air / Manual handling**

- 4.1 You will be required to attend tours and to participate in special events, which will often require long hours of work, working evenings and weekends.
- 4.2 The company regularly tours abroad, which will often necessitate travel by air.
- 4.3 Due to the nature of the work, a high degree of physical ability is required.

This job description reflects the current situation. It does not preclude change or development that might be required in the future and will be mutually agreed by BRB and the employee.