

Position Overview

Job Title: Scenic Carpenter

Contract Dates: 1/13/25 – 12/14/25

Reports to: Technical Director

FLSA Status: Non-exempt

Compensation Rate: \$16.50/hour

Benefits: Full Time Seasonal

Medical & Supplemental Insurance, 401k, PTO, Company Recognized Holidays, Barter Partnership Programs & Discounts, Housing

Position Summary

Barter Theatre seeks a Scenic Carpenter to be a part of our 2025 season. The Scenic Carpenter is responsible for the safe construction, installation, and removal of scenery as directed by the Technical Director, Assistant Technical Director, and Shop Foreman. This employee will work as part of a team of carpenters to develop and construct that scenery in an accurate manner in accordance with working drawings and designer plates.

Responsibilities

- Build scenery safely, efficiently, and accurately
- Rig scenery safely and efficiently
- Attend all strike and load-in calls
- Job will require heavy lifting (50+ lbs.), ladder and grid work, and possible long hours
- Ability to read and interpret working drawings
- Demonstrated knowledge of stage carpentry
- Demonstrated knowledge of the basic aspects of stage rigging
- Knowledge and proficiency of all common hand and power tools
- The ability to work both as part of a team and independently
- A self-motivator with the ability to motivate others
- Clear and concise communication
- Welding skills, metal fabrication, familiarity with AutoCad, and experience with CNC machines are a plus
- The ability, or willingness to learn, to drive large vehicles

Qualification & Experience

- BA or BFA with an emphasis in Theatre or Technical Production AND/OR a minimum of 2 years experience in scenic construction in a professional performing arts environment.

Organizational Overview

Currently celebrating its 91st year, Barter Theatre is a repertory company of resident artists dedicated to serving others by creating world-class theater in the heart of Appalachia. Barter's vision is to maintain a sustainable model of producing world-class theater that entertains, engages, and connects artists and audience, while reflecting the inherently Appalachian values of hard work, generosity, service, and story. Barter produces musicals, classic plays, and new work March-December including the nationally renowned initiatives Appalachian Festival of Plays and Playwrights and Black Stories Black Voices.

Equal Employment Opportunity Commitment

Equal employment opportunity and an inclusive and representative staff are fundamental at Barter Theater. Our employment and promotional opportunities are based upon individual capabilities and qualifications without regard to race, color, religion, gender, pregnancy, sexual orientation/preference, political position, age, national origin, marital status, citizenship, disability, veteran status, or any other protected characteristic as established under law.

To Apply

To apply for this position, please submit a current resume, cover letter, relevant portfolio if available, and 4 references to Lenny Lively, Technical Director, at llively@bartertheatre.com. The cover letter should include why this position and organization are attractive to you and what you feel you bring to the table that makes you a great fit for Barter Theatre.