

Deputy Head of Stage Job Description

Job: Deputy Head of Stage

Responsible for: Stage Crew and casual stage staff

Responsible to: Head of Stage

Salary: Above SOLT/BECTU minimum <https://solt.co.uk/bectu/>

Probationary Period: 12 weeks

Contract: Fixed term for one year; performances are 6 days per week, evenings and weekend work will be required.

Start date: January 2027

Location: Piccadilly Theatre, London

Preferred: Minimum 2 years' experience as Deputy Head of Stage on a large-scale West End musical or equivalent.

Personal Attributes: High level of self-awareness, empathy, integrity and confidentiality, detail orientated, strong communication and organisational skills, ability to work as part of a team as well as individually, a flexible approach to working unsociable hours, a positive attitude and a sense of humour.

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

Your responsibilities may include but will not be limited to:

- Under the supervision of your Head of Department, maintaining the Production as instructed and dictated by the creative team in line with the artistic requirements and direction of the Production;
- Working alongside and managing the department of Stage Crew (including casual staff and deps), including assisting with recruitment, line management, scheduling, recording of hours and training, if requested;
- Working alongside other technical departments, stage management, the acting company, resident creative team members and theatre staff to ensure the efficient flow of information as necessary for the smooth running of the show;
- Working in close conjunction with the theatre's in-house Stage Department;
- Attending all rehearsals, show calls, maintenance calls, get-ins, fit-ups and get-outs as required by your Head of Department or the Company Manager, including emergency calls in the event of equipment failure or other incident, particularly if there is a risk of the cancellation of a performance;
- Assisting with the operation and maintenance of all equipment used by your department, including equipment checks prior to each performance, as requested by your Head of Department;
- Acquiring a familiarity with all plots/tracks within your department so that you are able to provide holiday or absence cover for other members of your department as required;
- Deputising for the Head of Department in their absence, if requested;
- Having an awareness of understudy and swing performances ahead of each show and making necessary adjustments, if any;
- Assisting your Head of Department in compiling and keeping updated schedules, cue sheets and other relevant show paperwork, both soft and hard copy, to such a level as to ensure an accurate reference to allow the Production to be remounted at a later date;

- Working in accordance with the Producer's Health and Safety policy, which may include working at height, using appropriate safety equipment and clothing and attending any training deemed necessary;
- Comply at all times with the rules and regulations in force at the venues under the control of the Production;
- Having an awareness and understanding of the Producer's employment policies;
- Such other services as are customarily provided by the Deputy Head of Stage in relation to the production of a first-class musical stage play; and

Any other duties as may be reasonably required in the course of your duties or as instructed the Head of Stage, Company Manager, Production Manager, General Managers or Executive Producer from time to time.

To apply, please send your CV with a short covering letter to joinus@playfuluk.com with your name, the show and the role you are applying for in the subject line.

Please send your application **no later than 12pm Thursday 12th November 2026**.

Please note all applicants must have the right to work in the UK.

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