

Watching a stage technician



3 Talking to the public



5 Observing a director



7 Interviewing a manager



9 Assisting in the box office



2 Reading promotional material



4 Working with a technician



6 Using equipment



8 Attending a production meeting



10 Promoting the forthcoming production

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FORM			
PLACE	MENT		

Work Experience IN THE

IN THE PERFORMING ARTS





Work Experience Learning Framework for Pre-16 Students

Questions to ask

1 Background to the organisation

- a. What is the history of the arts organisation?
- b. How is the organisation funded?
- c. How many people are employed by the organisation?
- d. What are the main patterns of employment, e.g. full-time/part-time?

- **The second of the performing arts**
 - a. What different types of jobs are there?
- b. What career and training opportunities are there?
- c. What qualifications, skills and experience are required?
- d. Where are jobs/vacancies advertised?

- **2** Working conditions
 - a. What are the working conditions like for the different people?
- b. What types of contracts are offered to employees?
- c. What responsibilities do management have?
- d. Is there a trade union representative?

- Arts administration
 - a. What are the different work roles in a production team?
- b. Who has overall responsibility for each area of work?
- c. How do the departments communicate with one another?
- d. Is there opportunity for post-production evaluation?

- **▼** Venue layout
 - a. What type of performance space is it?
- b. What facilities does the front of house offer the public?
- c. What technical facilities are available?
- d. What facilities are available to the performer?

- ✓ Health and safety/security
 - a. What information is available on health and safety procedures?
- b. What possible health and safety incidents may occur (i) front of house (ii) backstage?
- c. What procedures are implemented if the fire alarm is activated during a performance?
- d. Is there a qualified health and safety representative on site?

- 7 Customer service
 - a. What are the responsibilities of the front of house team?
- b. What is the management responsible for?
- c. How are complaints handled and resolved?
- d. Are audience surveys part of the organisation's strategy?

- **Marketing**
 - a. What arts policy is promoted by the venue?
- b. How does it target particular audiences?
- c. What advertising strategies are employed?
- d. How are the marketing methods evaluated?

- **A** Equal opportunities
 - a. Does the organisation have an equal opportunities policy?
- b. Do the disabled have full access to all the facilities?
- c. Are particular jobs carried out by men or women?
- d. How are the jobs advertised?

- **1** Quality assurance
 - a. What is quality assurance?
- b. What are the quality standards of the organisation?
- c. What procedures are there to maintain quality?
- d. Who is responsible for maintaining the quality standards?

