



Job Title: Festival Lead Technician

Application Deadline: May 24, 2023 or until the position is filled

Targeted Start Date: June 5, 2023

Term: 8-week Canada Summer Jobs Contract

Compensation: \$23/hour, 35 hours per week

The Thousand Faces Festival is seeking a **Lead Technician** to oversee the implementation of rigging, lighting, sound, and projections for our 2023 Festival this summer. For over 10 years, The Thousand Faces Festival has celebrated the myths and stories at the roots of Edmonton's many cultures through theatre, music, dance, and other artistic disciplines. We are committed to ensuring that our staff, crew, and artistic teams also reflect the diversity we see on our stages. We strongly encourage submissions from people of all backgrounds and look forward to continuing our tradition of discovering what connects us all through art. As the Thousand Faces Festival Association supports the [Canada Summer Jobs program's national priority](#) to improve access to the labour market for youth who face unique barriers, **we are actively encouraging applications from BIPOC individuals for the Lead Technician position.** Applicants of all backgrounds will be considered on an equal basis.

This position is expected to be funded in part through the Canada Summer Jobs Program. To be eligible, applicants must:

- be between 15 and 30 years of age at the beginning of the employment period
- be a Canadian citizen, permanent resident, or person to whom refugee protection has been conferred under the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act for the duration of the employment
- have a valid Social Insurance Number at the start of employment and be legally entitled to work in Canada in accordance with relevant provincial legislation and regulations

Please note that the Festival is planning events that will take place every weekend in July after the Canada Day long weekend. **Candidates should be available to work all weekends between July 7 and 30, 2023.** Additional details about scheduling will be shared in the interview.

Lead Technician Job Description:

The **Lead Technician** will work with the Festival's Producer/Production Manager and technicians to implement and operate technical elements of the 2023 Thousand Faces Festival. The Lead Technician may, at times, be the most senior technical staff member

on site and will be responsible for venue supervision and safety. Responsibilities will include:

- Act as an occasional supervisor of the Festival's venues
- Manage and supervise the use of all Festival technical equipment and capabilities
- Gear maintenance and repair as necessary
- Keep an up to date list of all Festival technical equipment and capabilities
- Build and operate technical aspects of the Festival as needed, with a focus on rigging, lighting, sound, and projections, but may also include some light set and prop construction
- Creatively troubleshoot technical issues as they arise in a flexible and enthusiastic manner
- Act as an effective liaison between the artists, designers, crew, and Festival management
- Attend production meetings as scheduled
- Enforce and stay up to date on current health and safety concerns/policies, including those related to COVID-19

Lead Technician Qualifications:

We are looking for self-motivated individuals that have a keen interest and enthusiasm for celebrating stories at the roots of Edmonton's many cultures through theatre, music, dance, and other arts. Formal postsecondary education in the field or at least 2 years of experience working in a professional production environment are required. Candidates must have an understanding of and competence with rigging, lighting, sound, and video/broadcast technology. Experience and aptitude with prop, set, and/or costume construction is an asset, but not required. Previous supervision experience is also an asset, but is not required. A current scissor lift qualification and up to date fall protection training are required. Confidence and ability to ensure the safe use of manually handled equipment and ladders while working at heights is a must. Candidates who are able to demonstrate their ability to use technical capabilities to achieve artistic vision will rank higher.

Please send a brief cover letter and your resume to producer@thousandfaces.ca with the subject line **Festival Lead Technician Application**. The Deadline to submit your application is Wednesday, May 24, 2023.