

**STATE OF WISCONSIN  
CLASSIFICATION SPECIFICATION**

**STAGE HAND**

Characteristic Work of the Class

Nature: Under supervision to prepare and set up stage scenery, properties and lighting equipment; and to perform related work as required.

Examples: Builds, covers, arranges, sets up and takes down stage settings; assists in planning and designing apparatus or furnishings; supervises labor crew in setting up stage equipment and changing scenery between scenes and acts; keeps the stage clean and properly cleared; performs carpenter work; makes minor mechanical and electrical repairs; keeps inventory of regular equipment and properties; keeps records and makes reports.

Qualifications

Essential knowledge and abilities: Considerable knowledge of general theater stage problems and procedures; considerable knowledge of the construction, assembly and erection of theatrical scenery; considerable knowledge of the occupational hazards and safety precautions of the trade; ability to work from plans, rough sketches and specifications, and to follow instructions, written or oral; skill in handling electrical instruments and equipment; skill in the use of tools of the trades and woodworking machinery; good physical condition; good judgment and dependability.

Desirable training and experience: Completion of the eighth grade and four years progressively responsible experience in backstage work, carpentry or electrical trades.