

# What Can I Do With a Major In **THEATRE**

The collaborative art of theatre brings a full range of artistic, intellectual, and technical skills to bear on the analysis, preparation, performance, and criticism of the theatrical event. The playwright, actors, director, scenic and lighting designer, makeup artist, stage manager, and technicians all help produce what the audience finally experiences in the auditorium. As a theatre major, you will explore the nature of the art form, will have the chance to broaden and deepen your knowledge of acting, directing, history, and technical theatre before heading on to advanced studies or launching a career in such areas as regional or professional theatre, film, television, and arts management.

## **Skills Associated with Theatre Majors**

Appreciation of written and oral communication; strong public speaking ability  
 Desire to influence others  
 Poised and self-confident  
 Ability to respond spontaneously  
 Ability to understand and communicate information  
 Friendly, outgoing, creative, work well under pressure  
 Understand and communicate forms and strategies in other cultures

## **Sample Career Titles:**

Acting Coach	Director	Music Teacher
Actor/Actress	Draftsman	Narrator
Admissions Director	Drama Coach	Orchestra Conductor
Advertising/Marketing Specialist	Drama Therapist	Playwright
Agent	Dramaturg/Literary Mgr.	Press Agent
Amusement Park	Educator	Producer
Entertainer	Exhibit/Display Designer	Prop Manager
Animal Talent Coordinator	Fashion Coordinator	Radio/TV Announcer
Announcer	Film Director	Scenic Artist
Art Director	Fundraiser	Scenic Designer
Artist-in-Residence	Human Resources Specialist	Script Coach
Arts Management	Impersonator	Script Manager
Audience Relations Specialist	Instructor, Theatre Arts	Script Writer
Booking Agent	Lighting Designer/Engineer	Set Designer/Painter
Booking Manager	Make Up Artist	Singer
Box Office Manager	Manager	Sound Designer
Casting Director	Marketing Director	Special Effects Coordinator
Choreographer	Media Planner	Special Events Coordinator
Comedian	Media Salesperson	Stage Manager
Communication Technology Specialist	Mediator	Stand In
Community Affairs Officer	Merchandise Displayer	Stunt Person
Composer	Mime	Talent Agent
Copy Writer	Model	Talent Manager
Costume Designer	Motion Picture Coordinator	Talent Scout
Costumer	Photographer	Teacher
Critic	Production Support	Theatre Educator
Dancer	Musician	Theatre Manager
Dance Instructor	Music Director	Theatrical Photographer
Development Officer	Music Librarian	Ticket Sales Coordinator

\*\* Some careers may require further training and/or educational degrees