
Lighting Design

In Lighting Design, the skills measured are:

- An understanding of the roles and responsibilities of a lighting designer and the technology/equipment to implement and support the design
- The ability to present and explain design choices
- An understanding of the artistic and practical constraints that impact lighting design
- An understanding of the relationship of lighting design to a unifying concept
- The ability to carry out research into style, period, locale, and genre of the show

Only one entrant may be involved in the design. No collaborations are permitted. Designs for either theoretical or realized productions are acceptable.

The entrant must prepare and present:

- Written responses to several questions about their process within the application.
- Up to an 8-minute video presentation summarizing the work with connections to concept, collaboration, and design decision-making. The presentation should include:
 - Digital depiction of light plot (1/4" or 1/2" equals 1'0") no larger than 24" x 36", indicating all information necessary to assure clear understanding of the designer's intentions and ability of judges to see the details.
 - The location and identification data of every luminaire, accessory, and specialty unit should be represented on the light plot, along with the following information as appropriate:
 - Color medium
 - Set and masking
 - Areas
 - Lighting positions with labels
 - Type of instrument
 - Unit numbers
 - Circuit
 - Channel
 - Focus/purpose
 - Gobos/patterns/templates
 - Practicals
 - Special instruments (LED, moving lights, foggers, hazers, fans, relays, etc.)
 - Instrument key
 - Title block including:
 - Show title
 - Facility
 - Drawn by
 - Scale
 - Date
- A digital "artifact binder" must include a complete set of the following materials:
 - A design statement summarizing:
 - Research done on recurring themes/motifs, given circumstances of the show, writer(s), and previous productions (These could include notes, articles, sketches, photographs, colors, etc.)
 - Theme of the show
 - Unifying design concept

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- Script requirements
 - Sources of inspiration
 - Uses of color
 - Techniques used within the design
 - Reflections on the process
 - Instrument schedule
 - Magic sheet/cheat sheet
 - Sample color media used with explanations of choices
 - Description of three light cues organized by act and scene with a stated purpose for the cue and planned timing of the cue. Include a description of the use of intensity, color, movement, directionality, and/or quality of light to communicate to an audience both meaning and emotions during the scene **OR** three light renderings that include a description of the use of intensity, color, movement, directionality, and/or quality of light to communicate to an audience both meaning and emotions during the scene.
 - If the production was realized, photos should be included.
- Entrants must wear all black. **Clothing and shoes must be all black.** Any visible color, including white, will result in a disqualification.
 - Failure to follow any of the guidelines in this document will result in a disqualification.

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Student(s):

School:

Selection:

Troupe:

SKILLS	4 Superior Above standard	3 Excellent At standard	2 Good Near standard	1 Fair Aspiring to standard	SCORE
Job Understanding and Interview Articulation of the lighting designer's role and job responsibilities; presentation and explanation of executed design, creative decisions, and collaborative process.	Articulates a comprehensive understanding of the lighting designer's role and job responsibilities; thoroughly presents and explains the executed design, creative decisions and collaborative process.	Articulates an understanding of the lighting designer's role and job responsibilities; adequately presents and explains the executed design, creative decisions and collaborative process.	Articulates a partial understanding of the lighting designer's role and job responsibilities; inconsistently presents and explains the executed design, creative decisions and/or collaborative process.	Articulates little understanding of the lighting designer's role and job responsibilities; does not explain an executed design, creative decisions or the collaborative process.	
Comment:					
Design, Research, and Analysis Design, research and analysis addresses the artistic and practical requirements of the script to support the lighting design and the unifying concept.	A well-conceived lighting design, detailed research, and thorough script analysis clearly addresses the artistic and practical needs of the production and consistently supports the unifying concept.	A complete lighting design, research, and script analysis addresses the artistic and practical needs of the production and supports the unifying concept.	An incomplete lighting design, research, and script analysis somewhat addresses the artistic and practical needs of the production and/or inconsistently supports the unifying concept.	The incomplete lighting design, research, and script analysis rarely addresses the artistic and practical needs of the production or supports the unifying concept.	
Comment:					
Artistic Interpretation Lighting design choices reflect the mood, style, period, locale, and genre of the play through the controllable properties of light.	Lighting design choices powerfully enhance and communicate the mood, style, period, locale, and genre of the play.	Lighting design choices communicate the mood, style, period, locale, and genre of the play.	Lighting design choices somewhat communicate the mood, style, period, locale, and genre of the play.	Lighting design lacks choices that communicate the mood, style, period, locale, and genre of the play.	
Comment:					
Execution Light plot and artifact binder convey ideas, products, and choices that support the script and unifying concept.	A comprehensive light plot and artifact binder enhance artistic ideas and choices to provide exceptional support for the script and unifying concept.	A light plot and artifact binder align with artistic ideas and choices to support the script and unifying concept.	An incomplete light plot and artifact binder inconsistently align with artistic ideas and choices to support the script and unifying concept.	An incomplete light plot and artifact binder lack alignment with artistic ideas and choices to support the script and unifying concept.	
Comment:					

RATING (Please circle)	4 Superior (Score of 16-14)	3 Excellent (Score of 13-10)	2 Good (Score of 9-6)	1 Fair (Score of 5-4)	TOTAL SCORE
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Judge's name (Please print)

Judge's signature

ATTENTION TABULATION ROOM: Please note the following:

Timing issue: (_____mm_____ss)

Rule violation: _____; _____; _____

Other comments:

This rubric should not be considered an assessment of student learning. However, it can serve as a model for designing curriculum- based performance assessments and for this reason, alignment to the National Core Standards has been indicated on this form.

Example National Core Theatre Standards aligned to this rubric: TH:Cr3.1.1.a, TH:Cr3.1.1.b, TH:Pr4.1.1.a, H:Pr6.1.1.a

To access the full descriptions of the above and all the Core Theatre Standards go to: www.nationalartsstandards.org

For additional Standards resources visit: www.schooltheatre.org/advocacy/standardsresources

Optional aligned state standards: _____

State Standards website: _____