



**JOB TITLE:** Deputy Technical Director - Show

**CONTRACT TERM:** Permanent

**LOCATION:** ABBA Arena; 1 Pudding Mill Lane, London, E15 2RU

**REPORTING TO:** Technical Director

**HOURS:** Full-time

#### **ABOUT US:**

ABBA Voyage is a concert like no other, blending cutting-edge technology, spectacular lighting, and some of the most beloved songs ever written. Since the custom-built arena opened in May 2022, the show has been astounding and delighting thousands of visitors from across the world. But the journey doesn't end there. We still have big plans and are looking for talented and passionate individuals to join our already world-class team. This is a rare opportunity to be part of something truly iconic and really make your mark. If you'd like to take your career to the next level, we'd love to hear from you!

**See what audiences have been saying about the show:** <https://www.instagram.com/p/CghOCTIDdy3/>

#### **ROLE OVERVIEW:**

As the *Deputy Technical Director - Show*, you will work in very close partnership with the *Deputy Technical Director - Site* to support the *Technical Director* in providing ABBA Voyage and the ABBA Arena operations teams with effective leadership, ensuring all technical functions deliver a safe, efficient and world leading operation. You will maintain exceptionally high standards and ensure show production quality and visitor experience are maintained and improved on wherever possible.

You will play a key role in leading the day-to-day operations of the ABBA Voyage production as well as supporting venue operations and helping ensure statutory compliance is maintained across our site.

Technical functions include:

Production: rigging, carpentry, video, audio, lighting, lasers, automation, backline, lasers, effects and fall arrest/fall protection systems

#### **KEY ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- Maintain an on-site presence and leadership of the crew to ensure scheduled performances, rehearsals, maintenance and repair works occur properly, safely and in a timely manner.
- Lead day to day technical operations and be the point of contact for all daily operational needs, liaising with other teams and departments on site.
- Support the *Technical Director* in ensuring that all relevant areas of statutory compliance are maintained.
- Regularly review and report on project and operational risks and progress, keeping the *Technical Director* informed of all successes and challenges.
- Liaise closely with the *Head of Security, Health & Safety* on all areas of Quality, Health, Safety & Environment, in particular with regard to all operations within the auditorium.
- Where budget areas are delegated ensure all purchasing and operations are delivered within budget, ensuring show quality is maintained or improved and safety never compromised.
- Lead on, when required, and support the *Technical Director* in contract tender and renewal processes for production and technical suppliers, preparing detailed tender outline scopes to ensure most cost-effective and high-quality service is available to ABBA Voyage at all times.
- Participate in building and nurturing relationships with suppliers, contractors and key partners.
- Oversee and participate in the preventative maintenance and inspection program, including briefing and scheduling of work to be conducted by third-party contractors.
- Oversee with the *Deputy Technical Director – Site*, and the support of the *Technical Director*, the pre-production process for any external hires of the arena; including preparing costings, production drawings, engaging contractors, scheduling and supervise load-ins, load-outs and events and ensuring smooth collaboration with resident technical operations.



- Provide logistical support for shipping and receiving needs (including international shipping, ATA carnets, AWBs etc where necessary) as well as ensuring appropriate plant and machinery is available on site as needed.
- Lead on and support building a culture of continuous improvement across all technical functions, teams and contractors, encouraging information sharing and collaborative team work.
- Support and maintain up to date documentation of all site modifications and show equipment, including all capital improvement projects.
- Attend meetings and deputise for the *Technical Director* as required.

Please note, this role will involve working evenings and weekends. On occasion, this role may be required to work at other locations including, but not limited to our central London offices and other production sites.

#### **ABOUT YOU:**

- At least 5 years' experience working leadership roles in large-scale live entertainment, music or festivals (eg: arena or stadium tours, circus, festival production, corporate events) with strong comprehensive knowledge and experience of all technical production functions
- Experience leading and influencing multiple teams with many different working patterns and environments, driving collaboration
- Good understanding of health & safety legislation including CDM, PUWER, LOLER, COSHH, HSW Act, BS 7909 etc.
- Take a flexible approach to work schedules including varied hours, evenings and weekends if required to meet service needs
- Able to proactively assess and analyse operations and equipment, and suggest changes to improve efficiency, repairs or upgrades
- Able to prioritise, multi-task and work quickly and accurately with attention to detail, maintaining a positive attitude in fast-paced environments
- Comfortable working in high pressure situations, dealing with multiple challenges at the same time.
- Maturity to deal with people at all levels of the organisation, suppliers and contractors
- Strong communication, teamwork, and organisational skills
- Enjoy working independently as well as collaboratively
- Take a calm and practical approach to troubleshooting and issue resolution
- Competent computer user including in particular the use of Word, Excel and AutoCAD or similar CAD packages

#### **WHAT'S IN IT FOR YOU:**

- The opportunity to be part of a revolutionary concert
- Competitive salary and bonus scheme
- 6% matching pension contributions
- 10 complimentary tickets to the show every year
- Health Care Cash Plan, EAP and retail discounts

#### **HOW TO APPLY:**

Please send an up-to-date CV and a short cover letter to [jobs@abbavoyage.com](mailto:jobs@abbavoyage.com) with the subject title "Deputy Technical Director".

#### **DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION STATEMENT**

Here at ABBA Voyage, we strive to be a business where difference is valued and everyone is able to thrive in a culture of equality, inclusion and belonging. We are committed to providing a truly inclusive environment that reflects today's society, where everyone is able to bring their true selves to work, and where diverse voices and backgrounds are valued, heard, and well-represented.

ABBA Voyage welcomes applications from all sections of society. We are committed to equal employment opportunities regardless of race, religion, or belief, ethnic or national origin, disability, age, citizenship, marital, domestic, or civil partnership status, sexual orientation, gender identity or any other basis as protected by applicable



law. If you have a disability or additional needs that require accommodation, please do not hesitate to let us know at the point of application.

### **BE YOUR BEST STATEMENT**

We want everyone to make the most of the opportunity to shine and showcase their talents, so we are happy to make adjustments in the recruitment process so you can be your best! Please don't hesitate in discussing any specific requirements with us, or if you would feel more comfortable, you can email us confidentially at [peopleteam@abbavoyage.com](mailto:peopleteam@abbavoyage.com) to let us know how we can support you.