

Theatre/Entertainment Production/Creation, Diploma

Theatre is more than acting. It gives you the opportunity to seek a broader understanding of the world around you through the true nature of the arts. The study of theatre includes many components that will flourish an expressive body and dynamic voice with a keen intellect, a sharp intuitive sense and a vibrant imagination. This is succeeded through gaining knowledge in diverse areas such as 20th century trends in music, drama, visual art, dance, creative writing, the development of theatre, critical dramatic analysis, English literature, and the structure and format for devising theatre in both solo and group creation work. Overall, there are so many aspects to the study of theatre that makes this career of opportunities both unique and diverse.

What you can be with your Theatre/Entertainment Production/Creation Diploma:

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| Actor or Performer #5135.1 | Theatre Director #5131.2 | Choreographer #5131.3 | Composer #5132.2 |
| Costume Designer #5243.1 | Lighting Designer #5243.1 | Musical Director | Playwright or Writer #5121.1 |
| Film Director #5131.2 | Lighting Technician/Operator #5243.1 | Make-Up Artist #5226.5 | Set Designer #5243.1 |
| Technical Director and Production Manager #5131.2 | Sound Technician #5225 | Stage Manager #5226.7 | Acting Coach |
| Screenplay Writer | Script Coach/Manager | Special Events Coordinator/Specialist #1226 | Lyricist #5132.2 |
| Model #5232.4 | Wardrobe Supervisor | Wig Dresser | Development Officer/Fund Raiser #5124 |
| Set Designer #5243.1 | Puppeteer | Impersonator | Mime |
| Cinematographer #5131.7 | Critic #5123 | Television Camera Operator #5222 | Casting Director #5131.2 |
| Producer – Film, Radio, Television and Theatre #5131.1 | Stunt Coordinator | Advertising Copywriter #5121.3 | Narrator |
| Program Assistant | Choral Director #5132.1 | Broadcast Journalist #5123 | Editor #5122 |
| Reporter #5123 | Music Director #5132.1 | Publicist #5124 | Media Planner/Salesperson |

This career/job listing is only a sample of the possible career options; these are certainly not the only career/job options accessible with this degree/diploma. Some of the careers listed require further education.

For career information, enter the four digit number listed below in the Alberta Learning Information Services Website (www.alis.alberta.ca) or the National Occupational Classification Website (<http://www5.hrsdc.gc.ca/NOC/>).

RDC Career Services can help you explore your interests, identify your goals, discuss your career options and job search strategies and discover how to make the most of your education. Email or give us a call to connect with a career counsellor.

RDC Department Information: Film, Theatre & Live Entertainment, Bachelor of Applied Arts
www.rdc.ab.ca/programs/creative-arts

Potential employers:

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| Community Theatres | Regional Theatres | Commercial Theatres | Summer Stock Theatres |
| Dinner Theatres | Cruise Ships | Children's Theatres | University Theatre Groups |
| Touring Companies | Industrial Shows | TV/Film Studios | Radio Stations |
| Community Organizations | Non-profit Arts Organizations | Event Production Companies | Cultural Institutions |
| K-12 Public and Private Schools | Colleges/Universities | Festivals (arts, cultural) | Performing Arts Centres |
| Fundraising Firms | Production Companies | Film Companies | Entertainment Law Firms |

Major Skills Obtained from a Theatre/Entertainment Production/Creation Diploma Program

- Ability to analyze critically
- Talent for creating roles
- Public speaking skills
- Patience
- Stamina and vitality
- Problem solving ability
- Ability to learn quickly and adapt to directors interpretation
- Budgeting knowledge
- Oral and written communication skills
- Organizational skills
- Ability to meet deadlines
- Working as part of a group
- Delegating tasks
- Conveying ideas creatively
- Appreciation of music and literature

Professional Associations and Sites of Interest

Theatre Alberta - www.theatrealberta.com

Canadian Actors' Equity Association - www.caea.com/EquityWeb/default.aspx

American Federation of Musicians (AFM) - www.afm.org/public/departments/canada_office.php

Toronto Musicians Association - www.torontomusicians.org

Associated Designers of Canada - www.designers.ca

Association des Professionnels des Arts de la scène du Québec (APASQ) - www.apasq.org

Canadian Alliance of Dance Artists (CADA) - www.cadadance.org

Directors Guild of Canada (DGC) - www.dgc.ca

Fight Directors Canada - www.fdc.ca

The International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees (IATSE) - www.iatse-intl.org

Opera.ca - www.opera.ca

Playwrights Guild of Canada (PGC) - www.playwrightsguild.ca

Professional Association of Canadian Theatres (PACT) - www.pact.ca

Society of Composers, Authors and Music Publishers of Canada (SOCAN) - www.socan.ca

Union des Artistes (UdA) - www.uniondesartistes.com

Writers Guild of Canada (WGC) - www.writersguildofcanada.com

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