



Why Practical Technical Theater?

- All of our programs are created and produced by technical theater education experts.
- Professional production on DVD format provides maximum flexibility. Lesson designs address multiple learning styles by employing cooperative learning strategies, and are designed to work in 45 to 50 minute class periods.
- Included CD-ROM contains resource sheets, assessments, writing assignments, and rubrics, along with other teaching materials - literally a class in a box!
- Entire curriculum is aligned to National Standards for Arts Education.

Program One: Intro to Technical Theater
Program Two: Basic Set Construction & Theater Safety
 Program Three: Lighting for Theater
 Program Four: Audio for Theater

Program Five: Stage Management
Program Six: Set Design
 Program Seven: Lighting Design
 Program Eight: Business & House Management



BASIC SET CONSTRUCTION & THEATER SAFETY

Many secondary theater teachers have a very strong background in performance and directing, but feel less comfortable swinging a hammer or using a power tool. PTT's *Basic Set Construction & Theater Safety* program is geared toward those teachers and their aspiring technical theater students.

Key Concepts

- Identifies basic safety rules that apply to any theater.
- Demonstrates how to safely use common hand tools in three categories: measuring and marking, cutting and shaping, and joining tools.
- Tours a completed interior set, then takes students back to the shop for lessons on constructing practical set pieces such as platforms, stair units and wagons. Scale drawings and computer generated graphics reinforce the construction techniques shown.



- Demonstrates flat construction, including joining techniques such as how to use hinges and lash lines, battens and keeper hooks, and how to dutchman.
- Explores options for dressing out a set with props.
- Provides basic safety guidelines for striking the set.



SET DESIGN Program Six

Teach your students how to maintain top notch production values in facilities that range from the high school "cafetorium" to state-of-the-art theaters with PTT's *Set Design* program.

Key Concepts

- Provides examples of various types of common interior and exterior set designs: Box Sets, Unit Sets, and Wing and Drop Sets, as well as combinations of those three types.
- Demonstrates how to analyze a script to determine technical demands.
- Offers hands-on group projects such as researching for period plays, working with the director and other designers to achieve a specific style, and directional compositions.
- Analyzes common aspects of set design including sight lines, furniture placement and traffic patterns, and basic scale drawing.



Hosts

- **Bob Fowler** and **Marti Fowler**, co-creators of the PTT series and career theater educators with over 60 years of combined experience, lead both *Basic Set Construction & Theater Safety* and *Set Design*.

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