**Benjamin C. Eng**

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Versatile theatre professional with many aspects of theatre management and production experience including:

-Box office and house management-- audience services; and multiple ticketing systems (Showare, Vedini, Choice, Sumac)

-Technical production operations --technical and lighting design; spot operations and master electrician. (dossier attached)

Pursuing a production or management position in an established, professional theatre organization with opportunities to develop in a variety of theatre functions

**Theatre Management Experience**

**Technical Equipment Rental Manager - Norcostco March 2014 - Present**

Responsible for booking and preparing rentals of theatrical lighting and special effect equipment. Maintain and repair company rental equipment and customer equipment. Manage outsourced repair services. Counter technical sales and back up phone sales staff.

**Front of House/Box Office Staff – Stepping Stone Theatre Nov 2012 – Present**

Ticketing operations (custom Access system), patron assistance and other administrative and light maintenance duties as necessary

**Usher/Concessioner --Ted Mann Concert Hall June 2013- Present**

Ushering, concession sales and sharing information to provide the best possible patron experience

**House Manager – Minnesota Fringe Festival August 2013 , 2014, 2015**

Supervise Box Office and Usher Volunteers for performances. Assist with ticketing operations. Reconcile all money and “will call” order discrepancies. Interact with patrons ensuring a positive theatre experience. Complete and distribute nightly box office and front of house reports. Bank and ticket headquarters runner for multiple venues nightly.

**House Manager/Front of House/Box Office Staff – Music Box Theatre Sept 2012 – Feb 2013**

Supervise front house staff and concessions for performances. Assist with ticketing operations. Interact with patrons ensuring a positive theatre experience. Complete nightly house manager reports and reconcile and deposit all concession and box office banks.

**Off- Season Manager - Paul Bunyan Playhouse Seasonal 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012**

Prepared facilities supervised activities and hosted playhouse events. Performed light maintenance and provided technical assistance (lighting/sound) as needed. As well as presented a plan to update safety and maintenance for the playhouse

**Box Office Staff - Paul Bunyan Playhouse** – Summer Stock Theatre **Seasonal 2010, 2011**

Sold tickets and concessions , assisted patrons, and performed light maintenance

**Theatre Office Staff** - **Bemidji State University** **Seasonal** **2010, 2011, 2012**

Assisted in day to day operations of the theatre department and managed box office for all university theatre events

**Operations Staff - Sanford Center Seasonal 2010- 2012**

Prepared facility for events, load in/out of concerts, provided technical support (lighting/sound) as needed, assisted facility management for BSU hockey games

**Box Office/ Publicity Manager- Bemidji State University** - **Butcher of Baraboo** **2010**

Directed box office staff training and prepared and distributed press releases. **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Other Work Experience**

**City of Eagan** **Seasonal 2005-2008**

Patron relations and facilities maintenance responsibilities for the Civic Center, Cascade Bay and city athletic field concessions

**Education**

**Bemidji State University –** Bemidji MN **Sept 2008 - May 2012**

**Bachelor of Arts** (Theatre); **Bachelor of Science** (Business Administration – Management emphasis)

**Honors & Activities**

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| Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival - ***Theatre Management Challenge*** | 2011, 2012 |  | International Fringe Festival – Edinburgh, Scotland  ***Corleone*** | 2006 |
| President’s Council Bemidji State University | 2009-2010 |  | One Act Play Competitions | 2004-2008 |
| Dean’s List – Five semesters | 2008 -2011 |  | Eagle Scout | 2007 |
| Theatre Unlimited *(Treasurer 2011-2012)* | 2008-2012 |  | Eagan City Council – Teen Advisory Board | 2003-2006 |
| Business Club *(Secretary 2011-2012)* | 2010-2012 |  |  |  |
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**Lighting Design & Technical Experience by Production**

Lighting Designer ***The Little Mermaid*** Young Artists Initiative Wellstone Center 2016

Spotlight Operator ***Best Little Whorehouse in Texas*** Artistry Schneider Theater 2016

Run Crew ***Phantom***  Artistry Schneider Theater 2015

Run Crew ***Hairspray***  Artistry Schneider Theater 2015

Spotlight Operator ***La Cage Aux Folles***  Blomington Civic Theatre Schneider Theater 2015

Spotlight Operator ***Next to Normal***  Bloomington Civic Theatre Schneider Theater 2014

Asst Lighting Designer ***Arsenic And Old Lace***  Eastview High School Performing Arts Center 2014

Run Crew ***Guys and Dolls***  Bloomington Civic Theatre Schneider Theater 2014

Spotlight Operator ***Gypsy***  Bloomington Civic Theatre Schneider Theater 2014

Lighting Designer ***A Chaste Maid in Cheapside***  Classical Actors Ensemble Minneapolis Theatre Garage 2014

Lighting Designer ***Romeo& Juliet*** Classical Actors Ensemble Minneapolis Theatre Garage 2014

Lighting Designer ***Oliver*** Young Artists Initiative Wellstone Center 2014

Spotlight Operator ***25th Annual Spelling Bee*** Bloomington Civic Theatre Schneider Theater 2014

Run Crew ***Les Miserables*** Bloomington Civic Theatre Schneider Theater 2013

Spotlight Operator ***Singing in the Rain*** Bloomington Civic Theatre Schneider Theater 2013

Spotlight Operator ***On the Town*** Bloomington Civic Theatre Schneider Theater 2013

Lighting Designer ***Funtastic Dance Follies***  Bemidji State Swing Club Gillett Center 2013, 2014

Flyer ***Peter Pan***  Young Artists Initiative Wellstone Center 2013

Lighting Design ***Rumors*** Eastview High School Performing Arts Center 2012

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| Lighting Design | ***Commencing*** | Bemidji State University | BSU Mainstage Theatre | 2012 |
| Lighting Design | ***Bug*** | Bemidji State University | BSU Blackbox Theatre | 2011 |
| Lighting Design | ***DoG SeeS GoD*** | Bemidji State University | BSU Blackbox Theatre | 2010 |
| Technical Director | ***The Telephone and Medium*** | Loon Opera Company | Wild Rose Theatre | 2010 |
| Co-Lighting Design | ***Man Of LaMancha*** | Bemidji State University | BSU Mainstage Theatre | 2010 |
| Asst Lighting Design | ***Crucible*** | Bemidji State University | BSU Mainstage Theatre | 2009 |
| Master Electrician | ***The Who’s Tommy*** | Paul Bunyan Playhouse | Chief Theatre | 2009 |
| Master Electrician | ***Cabaret*** | Bemidji State University | BSU Mainstage Theatre | 2009 |
| Master Electrician & Light Board Op | ***No More Peace*** | Bemidji State University | BSU Mainstage Theatre | 2009 |
| Light Board Op | ***RMRW*** | Theatre Unlimited | BSU Mainstage Theatre | 2009-2010 |
| Light Board Op | ***Musical Comedy Murders of the 1940’s*** | Theatre Unlimited | BSU Blackbox Theatre | 2010 |
| Technical Staff | ***No More Peace and Cabaret*** | Bemidji State University | BSU’s Theatre Shop | 2008- 2009 |
| Technical Crew & Spotlights | ***The Sound of Music, Fiddler on the Roof, Guys & Dolls*** | Eastview High School | Eastview Performing Arts Center | 2004- 2008 |