



Tamykha - Lighting Technician

## For Lighting Technician Tamykha, there's never a dull moment.

At school, Tamykha had no idea which path to choose. At college, she knew she wanted to work backstage and now lights up the stage for performances at the National Theatre in London.

"My job role includes making and building lighting effects and props and working with LED and operating lighting equipment."

Tamykha began exploring backstage roles while at college studying for a BTEC in Performing Arts. "After college I took on an apprenticeship where I gained qualifications in technical theatre support."

It was then that she had her lightbulb moment. "The apprenticeship and in-house training confirmed that this is what I wanted to do. Lighting is such a versatile field that's so important to performance."

Tamykha went from local to national - starting out at Wimbledon Theatre before taking on a development role at the National Theatre.

"This development position is designed to build skills and knowledge for those with a keen interest in lighting. I didn't have the confidence or knowledge to apply for a lighting technician position when I started out so it's been a great opportunity."

2013 - 2014  
Technical Theatre  
Apprenticeship with  
Ambassador Theatre  
Group (ATG) and North  
Hertfordshire College in  
partnership with  
Association of British  
Theatre Technicians  
(ABTT), White Light and  
Fairfield Halls

2014 - 2016  
Technician at Wimbledon  
Theatre

2016 - Present Day  
Lighting Technician at  
National Theatre

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