



Ernest Thompson

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About

I am a passionate, artistically-inclined hard worker who thrives on good leadership and mentoring. Looking for the opportunity to join a team of experienced folks making it happen in the arts. I speak Spanish and Arabic, understand audio-visual equipment, can learn almost anything, and am willing to apply myself, solve problems, and burn calories!

Work Experience

STAGEHAND, IATSE 576 – 2025-PRESENT

Load-in and Load-out for large, nationwide touring musical acts

APPRENTICE RIGGER, IATSE 576 – 2020 AND 2025-PRESENT

Lift chain motors into Coliseum rafters with ropes and secure them to scaffolding to raise lighting truss and speaker arrays.

INDEPENDENT MUSIC PRODUCER – 2021- PRESENT

I wrote, recorded and marketed an album of original singer-songwriter material in which I played 10 instruments.

COURIER, FEDEX – 2020-2025

Safely operated diesel cargo van in major metropolitan area. Lifted and maneuvered heavy weight. Sorted items based on size, shape and contents. Passed DOT physical. Stayed organized, alert, motivated, and independent throughout a long work day.

CARPENTER, HOBBYIST – 2025-PRESENT

Build wood bookshelves, furniture accents, and garage storage rack systems.

Education

University of North Carolina; Chapel Hill, NC – Bachelor of Arts, 2014

Greensboro Technical Community College; High Point, NC – 2019-2020

NON-DEGREE SEEKING STUDENT

Completed introductory coursework in ENT Entertainment Technology, including: live sound, recording engineering and music theory.

Skills and Hobbies

Language skills: I speak Spanish and Arabic; Musical skills: I play guitar, piano, and banjo. Can set up and maintain musical instruments with string changes, tuning, etc. Physical fitness: I enjoy running 5 and 10 Ks, cycling, calisthenics, and triathlons. Handiwork: I do basic plumbing, electrical, painting, carpentry, and other home improvement repairs.