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VOLUNTEER AT YOUR CHARLOTTE PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

Orientation Meetings Announced

Charlotte, MI, September 4, 2015— We are busy putting the finishing touches on the 2015-2016 season at <u>your</u> Charlotte Performing Arts Center. But we can't do it without you! Did you know that each show takes approximately 15-20 volunteers?

Your Charlotte Performing Arts Center relies on a staff of volunteers in order to provide exceptional customer service throughout the year. This staff of volunteers is seen in the forefront as our House Managers, Ticket Takers and Ushers. But this year we are also looking for volunteers to fill some technical roles in lighting, sound and staging. You don't need any previous experience – we will teach you everything you need to know from the jargon and terminology of the theatre, to operations of our systems, protocol for our emergency procedures, and how to provide exceptional customer service levels to our audience and our artists.

As a volunteer you get to see professional and local productions for free on events that you work – sometimes even from unique perspectives. Your craftsmanship in sound, lighting and staging is on display. And many times you get to interact with the artists themselves.

For those interested in becoming an Usher, Ticket Taker, or House Manager at your Charlotte Performing Arts Center, we are organizing two orientation sessions for you on either **Thursday**, **September 24**th **OR Monday, September 28**th **both at 7:00pm** at the Performing Arts Center. The session will last approximately 2 hours, coffee and snacks will be provided, and you will have a chance to sign-up for shows you wish to work. Please contact Hollie Auten by September 17 at autenh@charlottenet.org or by phone at 517-541-5692.

For those people interested in working on lighting, sound, or staging – there are individual orientations and some teaching as we go. To find out more about these areas or times when we are looking for people to fill needs, please contact Jeff Hayes at HayesJ@charlottenet.org or 517-541-5691.

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