



For our upcoming production, LEF Theatre Group is looking for an enthusiastic

VIDEOGRAPHER/VIDEO EDITOR (M/F)

(3 – 8 hours/week)

LEF Theatre Group

LEF, or the *Leiden English Freshers Theatre Group* was founded in 1997 by faculty members and students of the English Department of Leiden University, in an effort to combine their love for the English language with the passion they had for the theatre. Since then, the company, run solely by dedicated volunteers, has performed a multitude of plays and even musicals in theatres throughout Leiden and Leiderdorp, ranging from the time-honoured Shakespearean dramas to the bombastic and more modern *Moulin Rouge*. Recently, the LEF Theatre Group has embraced a more modern, stylish and bigger approach to performing, in favour of the traditional "black-box" chamber piece-style plays. However, no matter what the production, one of the main goals of LEF has been for anyone, no matter how experienced, to have fun and to celebrate their shared love of theatre. Productions generally take place in December and May and both inexperienced first-year students ("*Freshers*") and more experienced members may apply. Besides acting and doing workshops, we also aim to be a student society in our own right, frequently organising events and taking our members out on drinks to bond.

What you'll be doing

While the general goal is to have fun amongst ourselves, we also strive to be a professional theatre company: visual media plays an important tool in reflecting this. Working for the LEF Theatre Group, you'd be in charge of the recording and editing of approximately 3 videos per play/semester for use on our social media channels. The videos will be used to attract new members and get members of the public excited to buy tickets to our productions. These videos will be approximately 2 – 4 minutes in length, and are intended to showcase the different aspects of being a part of LEF and what it takes to make our productions happen. You will be responsible for filming and editing rehearsals, production weekends and any other LEF events that may arise, and making these videos ready to publish.

Estimated general workload (not including editing time) will be anywhere between 3 – 8 hours a week (there are usually 2 rehearsals sessions of 3 – 4 hours a week), sometimes more, sometimes less, with more work being expected around important events and performance days. Please understand that since we're a student organisation, you might be expected to sometimes offer your services on weekends.

Applicant profile

- Earlier experience in the field of video-editing (business or otherwise) is preferred but not required; it is certainly a big plus if you have earlier work to show us. However, it

is more important that you have a vision (that overlaps with our producer's/Board's) and you can explain to us how you will go about creating such videos.

- It's a big plus if you have experience in working with video editing programs beyond Windows Movie Maker, such as Sony Vegas Pro, Avid, Adobe Premiere Pro, Cyberlink PowerDirector, or iMovie.
- At LEF, we're all about being a platform for all theatre enthusiasts. Please be aware that while most members of the Board and the director's team speak both Dutch and English, not all actors and backstage members will. Fluency in English is not required, but being able to at least express yourself in English well enough, and not feeling weird while speaking English with your fellow Dutchmen (if a non-Dutchie is around), is.
- To be considered for inclusion in our acting group, it is vital that you are available on certain key dates. These include the rehearsal weekend and performance dates (**which you'll be expected to record**), among other things. Please refer to one of our Board members during auditions for more info.

What LEF offers you while you are with us:

- *Actual* long-term work experience in one of the most fun international student societies in Leiden (good on your resume!). Edited videos will be posted on our social media channels with your name and website (if applicable) referenced, and you will of course be free to use the videos you created for us in (not-for-profit) show reels.
- The official LEF T-Shirt.
- A two-night production training weekend at a remote location somewhere in the Netherlands.
- Free food cooked by our lovely kitchen team during the production weekends and performance days.
- Acting or Theatre production workshops.
- Drink/Pub Nights!
- The chance to meet a lot of new people all excited to create something new and fun!

A tripod will be provided, but people who can bring their own tripod and camera (so we can film from multiple angles) will be favoured in the selection process.

Letters of application can be sent to Ben Pleij at producer.lef@gmail.com. Please put the name of the job you're applying for in the title, along with your name.