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VOLUNTEERS ARE THE HEART AT YOUR CHARLOTTE PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

Charlotte, MI, September 9, 2016– With around 100 performances scheduled throughout the year, 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. 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. And at 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 **Monday, September 26th OR Thursday, September 29th. NEW volunteers (if you have never volunteered or did not volunteer last season) will have training on those days from 6:30 - 8:30, and RETURNING volunteers (if you volunteered last season) will have training from 7:30 - 8:30.** Training will take place at the Performing Arts Center. The end time is approximate, and could run a little longer each night. At the end of the session, you will have a chance to sign-up for shows you wish to work. Please contact Hollie Auten before September 26 at autenh@charlottenet.org or by phone at 517-541-5692 to RSVP for one of the training sessions.

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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