

**The Backstage Innovation Centre Project is a partnership between Backstage Academy and Wakefield Council that will see the creation of a specialist knowledge and innovation centre focusing on research and development for the live events industry and its supply chain.**

The £6m+ project is partially funded by the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) and will be located on campus at Production Park in South Kirkby, West Yorkshire. The new centre will become a catalyst for change; not just for the global live event's industry, but also in providing support and regeneration opportunities for SMEs and startups within the local region.

The new building will open its doors in 2021 and will provide a blank canvas for individuals and companies to bring new novel ideas and undertake a creative development cycle to bring them to commercial realisation.

We are looking for dynamic individuals to be part of this new team.

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## **The Role: Concept & Product Designer**

### **Introduction**

The Concept & Product Designer will be the lead on all bespoke project design & prototyping support for the Backstage Innovation Centre. 100% of this post will directly contribute to the development and delivery of the Backstage Innovation Centre Project, part-funded by the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF).

In this role you will be directly reporting to the Development Director.

### **About you**

- Degree level qualification in a relevant discipline.
- Capable of working independently to brainstorm design solutions and represent in GA concept drawings.
- Able to understand the standard construction methodologies and specific terminology within the live event sector.
- Able to communicate with multiple stakeholders and support idea generation and design compromise.
- Able to prepare workable component drawings for prototyping.

### **Why should you join?**

- You will have an opportunity to make a significant impact within an established business with a supportive culture, a global brand and a strong reputation in the market.
- Be 'at the table' when strategic decisions are being made.
- The opportunity to conceive and deliver new and innovative research projects.
- Work closely with technologists and market sector leads to develop projects and initiatives in a highly collaborative, matrix environment.
- Develop, test and launch business and funding models for new project ideas to create significant impact

**This role is effective immediately and will be based at Production Park, headquartered in the Backstage Innovation Centre from Q4 2021. It comes with an industry competitive package and the opportunity to be part of writing the next chapter in entertainment technology development.**

### **How to Apply**

Please submit a CV & cover letter to [HR@backstage-academy.co.uk](mailto:HR@backstage-academy.co.uk).

Closing Date for Applications – **12pm on Friday 29th May 2020**

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For more information about the Backstage Innovation Centre Project, please visit [www.backstage-academy.co.uk/backstage-innovation-centre-project](http://www.backstage-academy.co.uk/backstage-innovation-centre-project)

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