

# Andy Kauff

Technician

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## Education

Bachelor's of Science, Theatrical  
Production

*Bradley University (2014)*

Bachelor's of Science, History

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ETC Factory Tech Training (2019)

## Work Experience

### KSA Lighting and Controls

Systems Integrator

*2018-2019*

- Started up architectural lighting systems
- Advised electrical contractors on installation of lighting systems
- Created tools to complete startups faster

### Entropy Precision Systems

Software Developer (Independent  
Contract)

*2017-2018*

- Created software interface to operate an LED controller
- Assisted in selecting hardware solutions for problems in the design process

### Luftwerk

Software Engineer and Electrician

*2017-Present*

- Designed electrical systems for art installations
- Wrote software to run art installations
- Installed hardware for art installations

### Various Chicago Theaters (Freelance)

Electrician and Programmer

*2014-present*

- Installed electrical equipment
- Created and executed power and data distribution plans
- Responsible for troubleshooting faulty equipment
- Installed structural rigging equipment
- Programmed lighting consoles
- Maintained building infrastructure
- Installed and configured IP network systems for lighting and sound control hubs
- Created custom electrical props with built-in show control
- Operated sound and lighting consoles during performances

### Crate and Barrel Photo Studio

Carpenter

*2017-2018*

- Built sets for advertising photography
- Painted and finished sets
- Maintained power tools

## Skills

### Software & Design

- 3D CAD with Autodesk, Vectorworks, and Revit
- DMX, sACN, Art-net, OSC, and WS2811 control protocols
- Python, C++, HTML, CSS, lua, Rust, and C#
- Network installation, configuration, and troubleshooting
- Audio system design, installation, and repair
- Graphic design tools incl. Illustrator and Photoshop
- Physical computing: Sensors, motors, and lighting control
- Serial, bluetooth, and software reverse engineering

### Miscellany

- Well versed in medieval Scottish history

### Hardware

- Microprocessors and single board computers (Teensy, Arduino, Raspberry pi)
- Circuit design
- Soldering and small electronics repair
- High and low voltage power distribution
- Low-level bluetooth and serial communication

### Space & Equipment

- Operation of scissorlifts and hydraulic work platforms
- Structural Rigging
- Trained with fall arrest equipment and comfortable with heights

