

Sam Osborne | Lighting Portfolio

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Hi, I'm Sam.

I'm a freelance lighting designer with a love for bold colours and strong angles. I have experience lighting drama, dance, musicals, and spoken word in end-on, in-the-round, and thrust layouts.

I love collaborating with other creatives, bouncing ideas off one another and developing the themes into a strong visual identity. I strive to create a coherent overall design, with a rich and immersive story world with lighting being complementary to set, sound, and video designs.

Original Lighting Design

The Secret Garden

February 2025

Big Little Theatre | Musical Theatre

Venue: Bournemouth School for Girls

Director: Graham Hubbard

Musical Director: Colin Billing

Photos: Jayne Jackson



The Ugly Duckling

December 2024

Nottingham Playhouse | Theatre

Venue: Neville Studio

Playwright: Isabella Waldron

Director: Laura Ryder

Designer: Alexandrea Hopkin-Spratt

Composer: Ben Glasstone

Video Designer: Matt Powell

Photos: Tracey Whitefoot



Kennington Loop

September 2024

Loudest Laugh Productions | Theatre & Physical Theatre

Venue: Hen & Chickens, London

Playwright: Boo Jackson

Director: Daniel McVey

Producer: Jess Donn / Loudest Laugh

Photos: Cai Marle-Garcia



Barbara

June 2023

Mark Croasdale | Theatre

Venue: The Edge Theatre

Playwright: Mark Croasdale

Producer: Millie Bottomley / Dan Jarvis

Photos: Lee Baxter



Choose Your Fighter

May 2023

Votive Theatre | Theatre

Venue: Camden People's Theatre

Director: Amy Crighton

Playwright: Katrina Bennett

Sound Design: Raffaela Pancucci

Photos: Lucy Hayes



Associate Lighting Design

Animal Farm

Theatre Royal Stratford East / Leeds Playhouse / Nottingham Playhouse | Theatre

Associate Lighting Design for Jai Morjaria

Director: Amy Leach

Designer: Hayley Grindle

Sound Design: Khalil Maldovi

Photos: Kirsten McTernan



The Lost Spells

Goblin Theatre / Polka Theatre / Watford Palace / Theatre By The Lake | Musicals & Children's

Associate Lighting Design for Sherry Coenen

Director: Andy Barry

Music & Lyrics: Mary Erskine & Will Dollard

Book: Matt Borgatti

Designer: Hannah Sibai

Sound Design: Daniel Frost



THEM

February 2023

Associate Lighting Design for Chloe Kenward

Body Politic | Dance

Venue: South East Dance & UK Tour

Artistic Director: Em-J Greig

Choreographer: Jackie Kibuka

Producer: Joe Lott



A Christmas Carol

November 2022

Associate Lighting Design for Joshua Carr

Hull Truck Theatre | Theatre

Director: Sameena Hussain

Composer: John Biddle

Photos: Sid Ford



Stranger Sings

October 2022

Associate Lighting Design for Clancy Flynn

The Vaults | Musical Theatre

Director: Ellis Kerkhoven

Musical Supervision: Adam Gerber

Photos: Giulia Paratelli

