

# Association of Lighting Designers

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## List of ALD Suggested Fees for Lighting Design

### Introduction

Please note that these rates are an average, based on reports from members working in these areas, of actual fees being offered by companies in each of these categories. In all cases members reported some organisations offering lower fees in some circumstances. But the fees mentioned below are being paid by some managements in these categories and we should be endeavouring to raise the levels of compensation to at least these figures. This list should be used to encourage forward planning of managements to budget more realistic compensation for lighting designers in the future.

Special circumstances can often apply, but we collectively should try not to go below these rates and in many cases it is entirely appropriate to earn more than these levels.

The categories used below are the same as those used by Equity for their negotiations of the collective agreements with the management associations.

### **SOLT (West End)**

Major Musical	£20,000 + royalty
Musical	£10,000 + royalty
Straight Play	£ 3,000 + royalty
Royalty or Weekly Fee	£ 150 minimum
Transfers from Other Theatre	£ 3,000

### **TMA (Regional & Subsidised Theatre)**

#### **RSC/NT**

Full	£ 3,600
Small	£ 2,700 - £3,000

#### **MRSL I**

Tour	£ 2,200
Studio/Workshop	£ 2,000 + weekly
	£ 1,200

#### **MRSL 2/3**

Studio/Workshop	£ 1,500
	£ 1,000

## **COMMERCIAL THEATRE**

Musical	£ 5,000 + weekly
Straight Play	£ 2,500 + weekly
Small Scale Play	£ 1,500 + weekly
Pantomime	£ 2,000
Weekly Touring Relights	£ 550
(This does not cover get outs, and is in addition to travel expenses and accommodation)	

## **OPERA AND BALLET**

<b>Opera A</b> (ROH, ENO, Glyndebourne)	£ 7,000
<b>Opera B</b> (SO, WNO, Opera North, GTO)	£ 4,250
Small Scale Tour From Above	£ 2,500
<b>Opera C</b> (Country House Venues, ETO)	£ 3,000
<b>Ballet A</b> (Royal Ballet, BRB, ENB)	£ 5,000
One Act At Above	£ 2,500
<b>Ballet B</b> (Rambert, NB, Scottish B.)	£ 3,500
One Act At Above	£ 2,000
<b>Ballet C</b>	£ 2,500

## **INDEPENDENT THEATRE COUNCIL (ITC)**

Per Project	£1,913
Weekly Fee	£ 375
This is the Equity minimum fee for <u>any</u> single design element on an ITC contract (i.e. set, costume, lights, sound or video)	

## **FRINGE (small scale, pub theatre etc)**

All Shows	£ 650
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## **DRAMA SCHOOLS**

Opera /Musicals	£ 2,000
Plays	£ 1,500