

School of Theatre & Dance

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Dear To Whom it May Concern,

It is my pleasure to provide this letter of recommendation for **Jack Gray**. I have known Jack for the past four years as an undergraduate BFA student at the University of Houston School of Theatre and Dance where I served as the as the Head of Undergraduate Design and Technology as well as the Production Manager. I have had the distinct pleasure of working with Jack in the classroom as well as a theatre artist and technician while supporting our season theatre productions.

While I've known Jack for a short period of time, it didn't take long to recognize his leadership abilities, strong work ethic, and attention to detail. As a first-year student four years ago he poised himself as a mature individual with great potential. His much-appreciated personality and curious intellect is an asset to any working environment – a contribution frequently acknowledge by his peers. Through the pandemic he sought creative ways to keep engaged despite the difficulty in doing so.

Jack follows instructions, accepts constructive criticism, and frequently challenges his performance by setting high personal expectations. He works tirelessly. He is known for working long hours, volunteering, committing a considerable amount of time to completing his course work while effortlessly maintaining a character people appreciate and enjoy. His communications skills exceed his peers, and he is becoming increasingly more confident in asking clarifying questions.

I can't quantify the number of students I've taught through my 20 plus year career. There are a small number of students that I'll continue to follow their successes for a lifetime – Jack is one of them. I wouldn't have any reservation hiring Jack Gray if I were able to hire. He displays all the positive characteristics that are increasingly more difficult to find in today's work force.

I wish you the very best of success finding an applicant that best suits your organization's needs. Please contact me if you have further questions regarding his contributions.

Respectfully,

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