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Wes Calkin is a Washington, DC-based creative professional with 8 years of experience in performing arts venue design and 15 years in theatrical production. He joined TCC in 2023 following seven years as a consultant at DLR Group | Westlake Reed Leskosky in Cleveland, where he specified theatrical systems, architectural lighting, and lighting controls for theatres, museums, schools, and places of worship across the country. Previously, he worked for Visions in Light in Cincinnati.

In addition to his work as a theatre consultant, Wes has designed lighting and scenery for regional theatre companies throughout the Southeast and Midwest. He is especially drawn to world premiere plays and experimental productions. Favorite collaborators include the Cleveland Public Theatre and Dobama Theatre in Cleveland, OH and Playhouse in the Square in Memphis, TN. He has held positions as Resident Lighting Designer at Wayside Theatre in Middletown, VA and as Lighting Director at Shawnee Summer Theatre in Bloomfield, IN.

EDUCATION

- University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music, M.F.A. (Lighting Design & Technology), 2015
- Wake Forest University, B.A. (Theatre), 2009

MEMBERSHIPS & AFFILIATIONS

- United States Institute for Theatre Technology

REPRESENTATIVE PROJECT EXPERIENCE

- Allan Hancock College: Fine Arts Complex, Santa Maria, CA
- Baldwin Wallace University: Jacquelyn Jean Fynes Chamber Hall Renovation, Berea, OH
- Capitol Theatre Restoration, Flint, MI
- Carolina Theatre Restoration, Charlotte, NC
- Cleveland Museum of Natural History, Cleveland, OH
- Cleveland Orchestra: Severance Hall Renovation, Cleveland, OH
- Denison University: Michael D. Eisner Center for the Performing Arts, Granville, OH
- Evergreen Valley College: Student Services Building, San Jose, CA
- Frontier Culture Museum Crossing Gallery, Staunton, VA
- Gretna High School and Gretna East High School, Gretna, NE
- Ismaili Center Houston, Houston, TX



Theatre Consultants Collaborative

- Jamestown Settlement: Bacon's Rebellion Theatre, Williamsburg, VA
- Karamu House: Jelliffe and Arena Theatres, Cleveland, OH
- Levitt Pavilion, Dayton, OH
- Murphy Arts District, El Dorado, AZ
- North Bund SIIC Center, Shanghai, China
- Oberlin College: Eric Baker Nord Performing Arts Annex, Oberlin, OH
- Ohio State University: Department of Theatre, Film, and Media Arts Building, Columbus, OH
- Ohio State University: Timashev Family Music Building, Columbus, OH
- Point Park University: Pittsburgh Playhouse and Academic Complex, Pittsburgh, PA
- Rock & Roll Hall of Fame: Facade Lighting & Sirius XM Radio Station, Cleveland, OH
- Saint Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church and National Shrine, New York, NY
- Sandusky State Theatre Renovation, Sandusky, OH
- Slippery Rock University: Miller Auditorium Addition & Renovation, Slippery Rock, PA
- Stony Brook University: Javits Lecture Center Renovation, Stony Brook, NY
- Tampa Theatre Renovation, Tampa, FL

Projects were completed while with DLR Group | Westlake Reed Leskosky unless noted otherwise.

