

CAREER FACT SHEET

Performing Arts Technicians

Snapshot

Performing Arts Technicians provide technical and other assistance for the production, recording and broadcasting of artistic performances.

How many are employed in this occupation?	18,700
What are the average weekly earnings for full time workers?	\$1,451
How does unemployment compare with other occupations?	Average
What are the job prospects for this occupation?	Low
What will be the likely future employment growth for the next five years?	Moderate Growth

Main employing industries

Information Media and Telecommunications; Other Services; Arts and Recreation Services; Retail Trade

Tasks

This occupation may include associated occupations with varying tasks.

- operating microwave equipment to transmit video information to transmitter sites and receiving video signals from remote locations
- maintaining and repairing radio and television transmitters and associated equipment
- selecting and attaching equipment to cameras, positioning cameras, and following the action of scenes being photographed while adjusting controls
- positioning equipment, such as spotlights, floodlights and cables, and operating lights during filming, broadcasting and stage performances
- applying and retouching make up during shooting and performance, including special effects make up such as scars and wounds
- designing and making musical instruments and instrument parts using specially selected materials and techniques similar to those used in cabinetmaking, metal pipe making, silversmithing and wood carving, and tuning and repairing musical instruments
- setting up and adjusting equipment such as microphones, and operating sound mixing consoles and associated equipment to regulate volume and sound quality
- selecting and setting up television recording, editing and mixing equipment, and adjusting and monitoring their operation.

INDUSTRY OVERVIEW

Information Media and Telecommunications

Do you have a flair for coding in Java, fixing computer bugs and setting up data networks? Or are you into producing compelling web content via slick copy, video and audio production? If you answered yes to either of these questions then you should definitely explore the many career pathways available in the exciting world of Information, Media and Telecommunications. The Information, Media and Telecommunications industry requires people with a diverse range of skills. From those who can drive the technology that controls the storage and dissemination of information, to creative-types, skilled at producing innovative solutions for clients wanting their business to stand out from the crowd. This industry also employs people who have solid interpersonal skills for roles in client sales and support. Just about every organisation requires some kind of information technology facility, therefore working in this industry means the opportunity to gain experience in a variety of enterprises. There are career pathways in data management, games and multimedia design, hardware and software maintenance and support, database design and networking. You could work as an electronics technician, a data communications tradesperson or as website designer. With relevant qualifications and experience you could even manage entire information systems.



Information Media and Telecommunications

Possible job pathways

- Call or Contact Centre Workers
- Call, Contact Centre & Customer Service Managers
- Computer Network Professionals
- Graphic and Web Designers, and Illustrators
- ICT Managers
- ICT Sales Assistants
- ICT Sales Professionals
- ICT Support Technicians
- Software and Applications Programmers
- Technical Sales Representatives
- Telecommunications Engineering Professionals
- Telecommunications Technical Specialists
- Telecommunications Trades Workers
- Actors, Dancers and Other Entertainers
- Artistic Directors, Media Producers & Presenters
- Film, Television, Radio and Stage Directors
- Gallery, Library and Museum Technicians
- Journalists and Other Writers
- Performing Arts Technicians
- Printers
- Printing Assistants and Table Workers
- Public Relations Professionals
- Signwriters

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