***Technical Theatre: Parts of the Theatre and Stage Elements***

**Parts of the Theatre:**

* Lobby
* Seating Area
* Ticket Booth
* Tech Booth
* Stage
* Backstage
* Dressing Rooms
* Prop Room/Costume Room\*
* Scenic Shop\*

**Stage Elements:**

* Act Curtain – masks acting area from audience; opened at the beginning of the play; closes between acts
* Apron – acting area between the front edge of the stage and the curtain
* Back wall – opposite proscenium arch; can be used as a background for exterior sets
* Battens – long pipes or poles from which curtains/lights/flats are hung
* Cyclorama (Cyc) – background curtain covering stage back/sides
* Backdrop (drop) – canvas or muslin curtain, usually painted, that forms part of the scenery
* Flies – area above the stage where scenery is hung out of view
* Fly gallery – narrow platform about halfway up the backstage side wall from which the lines for flying scenery are worked
* Gridiron (grid) – framework of beams above the stage that supports riggings for flying scenery
* Leg - one of a pair of drapes hung stage right and left behind the tormentors to mask the backstage
* Proscenium Arch – frame or opening of a proscenium stage through which the audience views the play
* Teaser – heavy curtain or canvas-covered wooden frame hung above the proscenium opening to adjust the height of the opening
* Tormentors – curtain or flat at each side the proscenium opening used to regulate the width of the opening
* Trap – opening in stage floor
* Wings – offstage area to the left and right of the stage