

## Where is my circle?

There are many local SBE chapters around the country where you can connect with fellow broadcast engineers. Regular chapter meetings and special events offer you a chance to expand your technical knowledge through industry presentations, tours and the sharing of practical tips and tricks of your peers. Local chapters are also a place where colleagues can become lifelong friends.

## How do I join SBE?

Applications for membership and additional information about SBE are available on our website at [www.sbe.org](http://www.sbe.org). You may also fax or mail this panel to us.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please send me more information on the following:

### Membership

- Regular/Associate
- Student
- Youth
- Sustaining

### SBE Services

- Certification Program
- Educational Opportunities
- Employment Services
- Latest Issue of *The Signal*
- Local Chapter Contact

### SBE-Published Books

- SBE Guide to Writing Broadcast Station Operations Manuals*
- Certification Handbook for Radio Operators*
- Television Operator's Certification Handbook*
- Radio Chief Operator's Handbook*
- Introduction to DTV RF*

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**Questions?** (317) 846-9000 or visit [www.sbe.org](http://www.sbe.org)

# Expand your circle

# SBE

# by joining ours

## Society of Broadcast Engineers

## What is SBE?

The Society of Broadcast Engineers (SBE) is the only organization devoted to the advancement of all levels and types of broadcast engineering.

With more than 5,000 members and more than 100 local chapters, SBE provides a forum for the exchange of ideas and the sharing of information to help you keep pace with our rapidly changing industry. SBE amplifies the voices of broadcast engineers by validating your skills with professional



certification, by offering educational opportunities to maintain and expand those skills and by speaking out on technical regulatory issues that affect how you work.

All this adds up to keeping you at the top of your field, enhancing your value to your

employer, or if you are self-employed, preparing you to meet the changing needs of your clients.

## Who is in your circle?

SBE, a non-profit professional organization formed in 1964, is committed to serving broadcast engineers no matter where in the world you work. From the studio operator to the maintenance engineer and the chief engineer to the vice president of engineering, SBE members come from commercial and non-commercial radio and television stations and cable facilities. A growing segment of members are engaging the industry on their own as consultants and contractors. Field and sales engineers and engineers from recording studios, schools, production houses, CCTV, corporate audio-visual departments and other facilities are also members of SBE.

# What are the benefits?

## Professional Recognition

The **SBE Program of Certification** offers seven levels of professional certification. Many SBE members choose to become certified to help them find and maintain lucrative positions and to enhance their professional development. From the Certified Operator to the Certified Professional Broadcast Engineer, SBE has a certification for every broadcast engineer and technician.



## Educational Opportunities

To help keep broadcast engineers up-to-date on emerging technologies and important industry issues, SBE sponsors **Ennes Workshops** in cooperation with local SBE chapters. SBE also offers a two-part **Leader-Skills Seminar Series** to train broadcast engineers who have or aspire to have management responsibilities. In addition, most local chapters offer educational programs at their monthly chapter meetings.

Training materials are easily within reach with **SBE-published books** and certification preparation materials. The *Radio Chief Operator's Handbook* and the *SBE Guide to Writing Broadcast Station Operations Manuals* can help make your job easier. In addition, SBE offers certification handbooks to train and test radio and television operators and has designed sample test software, **SBE CertPreview**, to help you prepare for many of the other levels of SBE certification.

## Industry Links

Whether you're looking to find or fill a broadcast engineering position, **SBE JobsOnline** and the **SBE Resume Service** should be the first place you go. While any organization can post job openings online or request resumes, only SBE Members can access position details or post their resume profiles online.

SBE recognizes that more members are contracting their engineering services. If this describes you, SBE can help you promote your services with the **Contract Engineers Listing** posted on the SBE website and printed in the annual *Membership Directory & Buyers' Guide*.

Need to do a wireless remote across town or across the country? SBE's volunteer **frequency coordinators** facilitate frequency use to minimize interference.

SBE is also committed to **representing the interests of the broadcast engineering community** before federal agencies, state legislatures and other industry organizations through the work of our FCC Liaison Committee and our General Counsel.

## Personal Resources

SBE wants to help you protect yourself. Life, health, business and professional liability **insurance programs** are available to members at competitive rates. In addition, a **free sample contract** is available for contract engineers.

Stay informed on important industry issues and Society news with **www.sbe.org**; **The Signal**, SBE's bimonthly newsletter; **HAMnet**, a monthly Ham radio broadcast; **Short Circuits**, a monthly web newsletter; and the annual **Membership Directory & Buyers' Guide**.

**Save money when it counts.** SBE offers discounts on books, car rentals, hotel stays and industry event registrations (including NAB's Spring Show). Through the Ennes Educational Foundation Trust, SBE also provides **scholarships** each year for continuing education.

## Fellowship

Whether you meet them at **local SBE chapter meetings** or **regional conventions and conferences**, a network of your peers is the greatest resource SBE can offer you.

# How do I fit in?

You can apply for SBE membership in one of five categories.

**Member:** You may qualify as a member if at least one of the following applies to you:

- 1) You are actively engaged in broadcast engineering or its allied fields.
- 2) You hold an academic degree in electrical engineering or its equivalent.
- 3) You have scientific or professional experience in the communications field, including the design or marketing of broadcast related products; have at least four years of active participation in broadcast engineering or its allied fields and have demonstrated acceptable technical proficiency.

**Associate Member:** You may qualify as an associate member if you do not meet the above qualifications of a regular member but are actively engaged in the objectives of the Society.

**Student Member:** You may qualify as a student member if you are actively engaged in the study of broadcast engineering or related fields at a post-secondary institution.

**Youth Member:** You may qualify as a youth member if you are a high school student who is active in the technical operation of a broadcast station; who is involved in a school club or community organization, such as an amateur radio club, with the purpose of learning about the field of broadcast engineering or who has a general interest in broadcast engineering.

**Sustaining Member:** This corporate level of membership is intended for individuals and organizations actively engaged in broadcast engineering, its allied fields and/or the objectives of the Society. The benefits of sustaining membership differ from those of individual memberships. One of these additional benefits is the opportunity to promote your organization with a sales contact in our regular publications and on our website.

