

Von Heidecke's Chicago Festival Ballet

TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

The Presenter shall provide or obtain at its expense a theatre, equipment, and crew according to the following minimum specifications:

THEATRE AND STAGE

The Company shall have exclusive, unrestricted access to the theatre, stage, and equipment for not less than 12 hours prior to the first performance. If the Company's schedule permits, the Company requests access to the theatre and stage for load-in and set-up for 4 hours the day prior to the first performance. The stage shall be entirely cleared and in readiness prior to the arrival of the Company. The stage area, wings, and dressing rooms shall be heated (or cooled) to 68° - 75° F.

The minimum stage area should be 36' wide (proscenium opening) by 26' deep (curtain line to cyc or rear curtain) with the proscenium opening at least 16' high. The stage must be flat and not raked.

There must be wing space of at least 8' on each side of the stage, and a cross-over space, on-stage, behind stage, or below.

The stage floor must be resilient wood. The floor cannot be concrete or wood laid directly over concrete. The surface must be free from splinters, holes, or any other obtrusions. The Company carries its own dance floor.

DRAPERIES

- 1 House (Main Act) curtain
- 3-4 Sets of Curtain Legs and Borders (black preferred)

All draperies should be hung prior to the arrival of the Company.

LIGHTING/ELECTRICAL POSITIONS AND EQUIPMENT

- 4-6 Batts available for hanging the Electrics.
Stage electrical floor pockets for patching and cabling Side Booms.
Box Booms on House Right and Left for hanging lighting instruments
Ceiling "cove" or Balcony battens for hanging lighting instruments
"Front-of-house" area for Followspots.
- 24 Dimmers, 1 kw capacity minimum
Sufficient Front-of-house lighting for minimum 2 full stage washes
- 34-40 6x9 Lekos
- 20-24 Fresnels
Overhead area and/or border lighting (scoops or 8x8 strip lights)
- 6-8 10' Side Booms or Trees
Sufficient gel-frames, C-clamps, sidearms, and cable
- 1 Ladder, scaffold, or cherry picker tall enough to allow safe access for focusing instruments 23' off the stage floor

The Company's lightplot should be accurately hung, circuited, and patched prior to the arrival of the Company.

SOUND SYSTEM (except when orchestra is provided)

- 1 Amplifier, with standard RCA or phone jack, line level inputs
- 1 House speaker system: Center Cluster or House Right and Left Speakers
- 2 Backstage monitor speakers
- 1 Announce-quality Microphone, separately controlled
- 1 Communication Headset System, with 5-6 stations
- 1 Paging System to dressing rooms (optional)

The Company normally carries its own tape deck.

TECHNICAL CREW

- 12 Stagehands (electricians and carpenters)
- 1 Wardrobe Assistant (includes pressing)

All personnel must be the same persons for both rehearsals and performances.

The Presenter must designate a Technical Director with decision-making authority, a Master Electrician, as well as someone familiar with the sound patching system in the facility to be present, responsible to, and accessible for consultation with the Company at all crew calls.

The Company is a Non-Yellow Card attraction. IATSE Stagehands are not required. If local rules specify their use, all expenses incurred remain solely between the Presenter and the local and will not affect the Company.

CREW HOURS

- 4-6 hours Load-in and Set-up
- 2-4 hours Set light levels and focus
- 2 hours Rehearsal
- 2-3 hours Performance call
- 2 hours Strike and Load-out

The crew and work schedule will be finalized after consultation between the Company' s and Presenter' s Tech Directors.

DRESSING AND WARDROBE AREAS

The Company will require separate dressing rooms for 8 men and 12 women (plus local children where appropriate), located no more than one floor from the stage, with lighting, make-up tables, chairs, mirrors, costume racks, and nearby restrooms with lavatories and toilets (that are not for public use).

In the same area as the dressing rooms, the Company requests a Wardrobe Room, with water, lights, and electricity. (May be in hallway or green room.)

HOSPITALITY

For the dancers and crew members, the Presenter should provide snacks and beverages, such as soft drinks, fruit juices, spring water, hot water for coffee, tea, and hot chocolate, fruit (grapes, bananas, apples, oranges, etc.), raw vegetables, and cheese and crackers. When two performances are scheduled on the same day, a light meal consisting of sandwiches, soups, salads, pasta, etc. should additionally be provided between performances for the cast and crew.