

RENTAL INFORMATION

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Please read the following information carefully before confirming your reservation. This information packet does not constitute an agreement between the Nate Holden Performing Arts Center, LA Department of Cultural Affairs, or Ebony Repertory Theatre and you or your company. It is intended for information purposes only.

NATE HOLDEN PERFORMING ARTS CENTER BOOKING PACKET & APPLICATION FOR USE

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OVERVIEW & GENERAL GUIDELINES

THEATRE OVERVIEW & HISTORY:

The Nate Holden Performing Arts Center (NHPAC) is a multi-use complex comprised of a theatre, a rehearsal hall/studio, an open air lobby complete with a box office, concession area, and two undeveloped retail spaces. Perfect for performances, festivals, screenings, meetings, rehearsals and receptions, the NHPAC can accommodate your event planning needs.

The theatre seats 400 people. There are 105 seats on the mezzanine level and 295 seats on the orchestra level. Twenty-four (24) orchestra-level seats are removable and the platform on which they sit may be lowered to become an orchestra pit for 6-8 pieces, or raised, to create a modified thrust stage. The Rehearsal Hall/Studio is 1100 square feet. The two undeveloped retail spaces (1945 sq. ft. and 1200 sq. ft, respectively) are also available for rental. The complex also includes a lobby area on the first floor with a box office and concession area, elevator to the 2nd floor office space and balcony level, and an outdoor patio overlooking Washington Boulevard and the Hollywood Hills. The backstage area consists of a laundry room, prop room and a quick-change room. The back stage elevator leads to the basement the Green room, two principal dressing rooms and two ensemble dressing rooms that can accommodate up to 12 performers each. Each dressing room contains shower and restroom facilities.

NHPAC is located in the Mid City Adams-Leimert Park-Baldwin Hills planning area of Los Angeles near the historic Lafayette Square and the West Adams Sugar Hill District, which is south of Wilshire Boulevard.

The Nate Holden Performing Arts Center sits on the grounds of the former Ebony Showcase Theatre, built and operated by Nick and Edna Stewart. A world class, state-of-the-art performing arts regional center, NHPAC is primed for local, national, and international events.

WHO RUNS THE NATE HOLDEN PERFORMING ARTS CENTER?

The NHPAC is owned by the City of Los Angeles, built by the City of LA Community Redevelopment Agency, and operated by the Ebony Repertory Theatre (ERT) a non-profit Equity company.

Non-profit producers and presenters are invited to rent the NHPAC for their own presentations. ERT reserves the right to be selective about determining which producers and presenters rent the facilities.

Thank you for your interest in the Nate Holden Performing Arts Center (NHPAC), a facility of the City of Los Angeles Department of Cultural Affairs operated by the Ebony Repertory Theatre (ERT). Enclosed please find the booking packet and application.

NHPAC BOOKING PROCESS & REQUIREMENTS

- 1. Please review the booking packet before inquiring about availability of the facility.
- 2. Contact the ERT/NHPAC Managing Director at 323-964-9768 to check the availability of your date(s).
- Complete a booking application, and either email, mail, or fax it to the ERT/NHPAC Managing Director.
- 4. A non-refundable \$200 Production Processing Fee must accompany your application.
- 5. A refundable security deposit (\$1000-Non Profit/\$2000-Commercial) must be received within five (5) business days of submitting your application. Your date(s) will not be secured until this payment is received. Submission of security deposit does not represent an acceptance or approval of your application.
- 6. Please request a *first*, *second*, and *third* choice of dates for your event(s) with a minimum of ninety (90) days from your application date.
- 7. Meet with the ERT/NHPAC Managing Director/Technical Director. Come prepared with as much information regarding your production as possible, including technical needs, so an accurate cost estimate can be prepared for you. The size and scope of your show may require an additional meeting with the ERT/NHPAC Technical Director before your estimate can be prepared.
- 8. A cost estimate and Letter of Agreement will be provided for your review and acceptance.
- 9. Upon acceptance of the cost estimate and Letter of Agreement, please submit the follow items:
 - a. an executed Letter of Agreement,
 - b. a 50% non-refundable deposit on estimated charges,
 - c. evidence of general liability insurance coverage,
 - d. and a 501(c)3 determination letter (for non-profit companies only).
- 10. All deposits must be in the form of a credit card (processing fee applies), cashier's check, company check or money order.
- 11. Upon receipt of all the items listed above by ERT, the event is considered "booked," and you may begin publicity and marketing of the event. The remaining 50% balance of estimate must be paid one month before the first rental day or the event will be cancelled.

After reading the booking packet, should you have any questions or require any additional information, please call ERT/NHPAC. We appreciate your cooperation in adhering to the procedures as outlined.

Business hours for the administration office are Monday through Friday from 11am to 3pm.

RENTAL REQUIREMENTS

Any use of the facility at NHPAC by an individual, organization, or group is granted, based on the following five requirements:

- 1. Approval of an Application For Use.
- 2. Completion of a Letter of Agreement.

The Letter of Agreement is a temporary agreement between the ERT and qualified Producers for periodic use of the facility. This infers neither legal claim to the facility nor any relationship other than one of temporary nature as detailed in the Letter of Agreement.

- 3. Provision of a non-refundable Production Processing Fee \$200.
- 4. Provision of a 100% refundable security deposit (\$1000- Non Profit/\$2000- Commercial).
- 5. Presentation of evidence of insurance by the renting party.
- 6. Presentation of 501(c) 3 determination letter (for non-profits only)

USE OF THE FACILITY WITHOUT SAID REQUIREMENTS IS PROHIBITED.

RENTAL CHARGES-LIVE PERFORMANCE ONLY

CALL FOR FILMING RATES

NON-PROFIT RATES (DOES NOT INCLUDE REQUIRED STAFF) All Rates subject to change.

	Performance	Technical Rehearsal	Worklight Rehearsal
Theatre	\$1815	\$910	\$460
Lobby		\$605	
Cabaret Space	\$365		
Patio	\$365		
Café Gallery	\$245		
Rehearsal Studio	\$485		
Parking Lot (only)	\$730		

Non-Profit Administrative fee \$750

FOR PROFIT RATES (DOES NOT INCLUDE REQUIRED STAFF) All Rates subject to change.

	Performance	Technical Rehearsal	Worklight Rehearsal
Theatre	\$3630	\$1815	\$910
Lobby		\$1210	
Cabaret Space	\$730		
Patio	\$730		
Café Gallery	\$485		
Rehearsal Studio	\$730		
Parking Lot (only)	\$1455		

For Profit Administrative Fee \$750

The rental fee for performances in the theater includes eight (8) hours per day in theatre, lobby, green room, dressing rooms, use of house lighting and sound systems as well as the theatre's parking lots.

LABOR CHARGES & STAFFING

CALL FOR FILMING RATES

TECHNICAL LABOR			HOUSE LABOR	
Facility:	Technical Director	\$70.00	Usher	\$40.00
Audio:	Audio Technician	\$50.00	Security	\$40.00
	Master Audio Technician	\$60.00	Custodian	\$45.00
Electric:	Follow Spot Operator	\$50.00	Box Office	\$40.00
	Electrician	\$40.00	House Manager	\$70.00
	Master Electrician	\$60.00	Facility Monitor	\$70.00
Deck:	Master Carpenter	\$50.00		
	Carpenter	\$40.00		
	Rigger/Flyman	\$63.00		
	Stage Hand	\$40.00		
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LABOR CHARGES & STAFFING (CONTINUED)

All labor is a required four (4) hour minimum crew call accrued in 30-minute intervals. For extended hours, the producer will be charged by the hour for each additional hour at the standard rate listed for up to eight hours; hours over eight (8) hours per day will be charged at one and one half times the standard rate; hours over twelve (12) hours per day will be charged at twice the standard rate.

Technical Staff

The NHPAC technical personnel MUST staff ALL production activities on site. The NHPAC Technical Director (TD) will determine and estimate theatre related labor needs for the Producer's production from information provided to the TD by Producer. Please note that this will be an estimate only; Producer will be responsible for actual charges incurred by production.

Producer is responsible to provide all design staff (lighting, sound, sets, etc.), a Technical Production coordinator and a Stage Manager for the production. The NHPAC Technical Director will estimate the timeline for deliverables (e.g. set, sound & lighting plots), to ensure adequate technical staffing, and the Producer will be responsible to obtain plots from designers and to provide a technical schedule. The minimum Technical staff consists of Technical Director, Master Electrician, Master Audio, two (2) Stage Hands.

House Staff

Each event occurring in the theater is required to have a minimum house staff of NHPAC House personnel. The producer will be responsible for all House staff labor costs with the exception of certain Box Office staffing noted below. The minimum house staff consists of a House Manager, four (4) Ushers, and three (3) Security/Parking Lot Attendants and one (1) Custodian.

FACILITY EQUIPMENT CHARGES

NHPAC has a dimmer-per-circuit lighting system and a basic inventory of lighting instruments that are rented as a package for \$250.00 per performance. Producer is not responsible for burnouts; NHPAC will replace lamps as needed. Producers may arrange with the NHPAC Technical Director to bring in their own lighting and sound equipment to be used with the NHPAC lighting and sound systems. The NHPAC Technical Director will determine such equipment's compatibility with the house systems and advise the Producer accordingly.

Additional lighting and sound equipment not included in the NHPAC Equipment Inventory must be arranged for by the producer. NHPAC staff may assist in locating outside vendors for Producer; however all equipment rental arrangements between Producer and outside vendors are independent of the letter of agreement between NHPAC and Producer, and Producer is solely responsible for all such arrangements.

BOX OFFICE

NHPAC must handle all on-site Box Office transactions. NHPAC hires one Box Office staff member for four (4) hours on performance days at a cost charged to the Producer. The Box Office staff member will handle all on-site cash, check and credit purchases for ticket sales.

Additional box office and ticketing services available through internal NHPAC vendors are:

- Printing Cost for Open Seating: \$250.00
 All tickets for all seating (mezzanine, orchestra, and orchestra pit) have the same pricing.
- Printing Cost for Assigned Seating: \$315.00
 A unique ticket will be printed for each seat number with customized pricing indicated by the Producer.
- Full Service Box Office: \$625.00
 Includes online ticketing, printing and Box Office personnel.

For further information on these services, contact NHPAC Managing Director. Payment and arrangement for these services will be made independent of the Rental agreement between Producer and NHPAC, and are the sole responsibility of the Producer.

HOUSE SEATS

NHPAC maintains fifteen (15) house seats for each performance. These seats are released for sale 24 hours prior to curtain, if not used. There are 377 seats for producer to sell.

CONCESSIONS/RECEPTIONS

CONCESSIONS

Sodas, water, coffee, tea, and light packaged snacks are offered at every performance by NHPAC staff – no food or beverages are allowed in the theatre at any time. Food and beverages may be given away at receptions approved by NHPAC Managing Director a minimum of two weeks in advance.

RECEPTIONS

The Lobby, Cabaret, Rehearsal Studio, and Patio are all available for rental at an additional cost to the producer.

Alcoholic beverages may be served at receptions upon presentation to NHPAC of a 1-day license from the state Alcohol Beverage Control Board (213)736-2005; liquor consumers may not be asked for donations. Liquor liability is required as part of the general liability policy provided by producers for any events where liquor will be served.

All equipment and consumables required for either receptions set-ups e.g. tables, chairs, linens utensils, trash cans/bags, serving/service etc., are to be purchased at the Producer's expense. They cannot and will not be supplied by ERT/NHAPC

MARKETING

No production may be promoted in any fashion until a Letter of Agreement has been signed and accepted by the ERT/NHPAC Managing Director, and both a certificate of insurance and a 50% non-refundable deposit received. Any promotion of your production before an Agreement has been signed will result in immediate cancellation of your event. All marketing, advertising, publicity and promotions are the sole responsibility of producers and presenters who are renting NHPAC facilities for their events. NHPAC must approve all marketing /promotional materials that mention NHPAC or an event at NHPAC. Producers are welcome to sell promotional items, such as t-shirts or posters, at a table in the lobby. Prior approval and an agreement to remit a flat fee of \$250.00 or a 15% fee for total sales of promotional items must be executed. All promotional materials must carry the following phrase: The Nate Holden Performing Arts Center is a facility of the City of Los Angeles Department of Cultural Affairs operated by the Ebony Repertory Theatre.

INSURANCE

All facility users must indemnify Ebony Repertory Theatre, the City of Los Angeles, its departments, divisions, elected officials, executives, managers, employees, and agents from all liability for damages or personal injury resulting from Producer's activity at NHPAC. Producer must provide certificate of single-limit general liability insurance in the amount of one-million dollars (1,000,000) per occurrence, indicating: "Ebony Repertory Theatre and The City of Los Angeles" as additionally insured. The Producer may provide a certificate of insurance from an existing policy, or may purchase event insurance through the City's Insurance Broker on a per event basis. The City of Los Angeles has an event insurance program available to permit holders and tenants. Call 1-800-420-0555, Monday-Friday 9am to 11:30am and 1:30pm to 4:30pm for a quote.

In the case of rehearsals, conferences, or workshops, for which no admission is charged, the Producer may comply by signing a Risk Waiver permit on behalf of Producer's Organization and participants prior to the first scheduled use of the facility. Risk Waiver forms are available from the ERT/NHPAC Managing Director.

ERT/NHPAC staff has no authority to grant access to NHPAC by any group until a Risk Waiver or certificate of general liability insurance has been received from the Producer.

STAGING STORAGE & PYROTECHNICS

Staging & Storage

The Technical Director before installation must approve all staging elements brought into NHPAC. Nothing, including sets or signs or notices, may be attached in any way to any wall or floor without the expressed approval of the ERT/NHPAC Technical Director or Managing Director. All scenic elements must be built and painted off site prior to being brought into the theatre. There is no backstage storage. The ERT/NHPAC Technical Director can help evaluate potential problems at the initial production meeting so the Producer can make alternative artistic choices. City of Los Angeles and Los Angeles Fire Department safety regulations must be strictly adhered to by ERT/NHPAC staff and Producers.

Pyrotechnics

Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) regulations require the issuance of a permit for any stage effect(s) involving smoke machines, open flames, cigarettes/cigars/pipes, flash boxes or any other incendiary device. Producers are responsible to obtain approval for any such effect(s) through the NHPAC Technical Director – no later than 30 days prior to opening performance. Unapproved effects will result in immediate cancellation of the Letter of Agreement, the performance and the balance of the run.

Please note that use of all aforementioned affects will require an onsite LAFD officer and the disabling of the fire safety systems in the building. Any cost incurred as a result of these actions will be charged to the producer.

PARKING

A total of 81 parking spaces are available for patron and staff parking located on Vineyard & Washington Blvd. Southwest and Northwest corners. Street parking is also available after 7PM, Mon.-Fri, and all day Saturday and Sunday. Additionally, seventeen (17) parking spaces in the rear of the theater are available for artists, producers, and ERT/NHPAC staff ONLY. Please note: parking in the alley adjacent to the theater and the lot on the east side of the building is strictly prohibited. Cars will be towed if parked in the fire lane or the east lot. The lots must be staffed with parking lot attendants hired by ERT at billable hours. These attendants will not park cars. If desired, you may hire a valet service to staff the lots and park the cars at a cost to the Producer. Adequate insurance must be provided to supply this service.

TECHNICAL SPECS AND INVENTORY

ACCESS

Public Access

- The theater entrance is from Washington Boulevard via the public plaza.
- The Box Office is located inside the main lobby.

Backstage Access (Loading/Unloading)

Loading dock located on Harcourt St; provides access to back stage via 16 ft. tall access door.

MULTIPURPOSE SPACES

Rehearsal/Studio: 30' x 40' space for multiple uses.

Cabaret Space: 1,945 sq. ft; located on the first floor.

Accessible via lobby and public plaza.

Patio: Second floor outdoor deck. Access via lobby stairs or elevator. Capacity: 35

Café Gallery: 1 200 sq. ft. on first and second floor. Accessible via public plaza and sidewalk. Also includes storage space (loft style) on the second floor. Request for this space must be cleared with NHPAC Managing Director.

THEATER SPECIFCATIONS

Seating Capacity (399 seats total)

- Orchestra (297)
 - Fixed seats: 293 (Includes 4 ADA required wheelchair attendant seats)
 - o Pit: 24 removable fixed seats
 - Accessible/Wheelchair: 4-spaces (Can be sold as loose seats night of event)
- Mezzanine (103)
 - Fixed seats: 88 (Includes 2 ADA required wheelchair attendant seats)
 - Loose seats: 12 (along walls/ box seat)
 - Accessible/Wheelchair: 2-spaces (Can be sold as loose seats night of event)

Stage Area

- Stage dimensions: 73' x 31', Proscenium opening: 42'x 24'
- Hydraulic stage lift for orchestra pit.
- Stage includes eight (8) removable trap doors; each trap door is 4ft. x 4ft.
- 75' fly tower to pull props to full height (57'-0" to gridiron deck)
- Full drapes
- Sprung floor for dancers

THEATER SPECIFICATIONS (continued)

Dressing Rooms/Laundry Room

- Quick Change/Restroom
- First Floor
 - O Room at $10 \frac{1}{2}$ ft. x 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ ft. includes toilet and sink.
 - Laundry Room (washing and dryer not included).
- Basement
 - 2 Principal Dressing rooms (can accommodate 2 people per dressing room) at 130 sq. ft. each, includes toilet, sink and shower.
 - 2 Ensemble Dressing Rooms (10 male/ 10 female) at 310 sq. ft. each, includes one toilet, sinks and a shower.
 - o 1 Green Room at 24 ft. x 17 ft.

Theatrical Lighting Fixtures (372 total)

- 10° Ellipsoidal Reflector Spotlights (10)
- 19° Ellipsoidal Reflector Spotlights (76)
- 26° Ellipsoidal Reflector Spotlights (120)
- 36° Ellipsoidal Reflector Spotlights (76)
- Par Fixtures (20)
- Parnel Fixtures (30)
- Fresnel Fixtures (26)
- Cyc Luminaries (12)
- Follow spots (2)

Audio Visual Equipment

- Live and pre-recorded audio program
- Assistive Listening System
- Left-center-right loudspeaker clusters
- System Controller BSS sound web
- Sound Control Booth w/56 channel mixing console, a/v, racks
- Chime and Loudspeaker system
- Audio cassette recorder/player, CD player and minidisk system
- Headphone distribution
- Secondary Mix position
- Production Communications Equipment
- CCTV Camera
- Microphone inputs

APPLICATION FOR EVENT BOOKING

Today's Date				
Title of Show				
Organization				
Type of Organization:	□Commercial [Non-Profit [Other/Specify	
Authorized Representat	tive		Position	
Address				
City		State	Zip	
Phone: Day	Eve	C	Cell	Fax
E-mail				
Alternate Contact		Position	Phon	e
Which Best Describes	Your Proposed A	ctivity?		
☐Stage Presentation (Comedy, Drama,	Musical)	□Film Screening	
□Dance Production			□Location Film SI	noot
□Concert				ar
□Rehearsal □Other				
Describe Your Proposed	d Activity. Pleas	e be detailed	yet concise	
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What space will you w □Cabaret Spa	ce □Studio	Theatre /Rehearsal Ha		□Patio
Will you be selling tick	ets? No Y	es Ticket pric	e(s)	

Please list the Dates that you are requesting for your event (you may attach a calendar)

Preference	Date(s)	Details	
1st Choice			
2 nd Choice			
3 rd Choice			
Production Informe			
Ver	nue:		Start End
Performar	nce Date(s):	Time:	ordin End
	inee Dates:		
Student Performar		т.	
Facility Wo	alk-through:	Time:	
Eve	ent Load-In:	Time: _	
Event	t Load-Out:	Time: _	
Work Light	Rehearsal:	Time: _	
Technical/Dress	<u> </u>	Time: _	
Performance Ru		•	
	ast & Crew:	•	
No. of Dress	_	(Please note: Dressing	·
Minimum Audience	=	·	nder 5 unless otherwise indicated)
• •	opriate for: Children	Teens	Adults
Will merchandise be	sold?: ☐ Yes ☐ No What items?		By whom?
Lighting			
The lighting system	is used to light the performers a	nd/or to add special	effects and color. It consists of fixed
lighting instruments	that can be focused on specific p	parts of the stage. Th	ese lights, while often referred to as
"spots." are differe	ent from follow spots. The "spots"	' that are part of the	lighting system are focused in one plac
•	·	•	ator. A follow spot is a type of lighting
instrument used to s	spotlight a performer moving arc	und on stage. The No	ate Holden Performing Arts Center has
one follow spot, wh	ich requires an operator. The st	andard lighting (refer	red to as the "house plot") for the
NHPAC provides vo	arious color washes and white lig	ht specials across the	stage. Changes to this house plot will
require additional	time and additional crew.		
Will you need to us	se stage lighting?	□Yes □No	
Do you currently ho	ıve a light plot?	☐ Yes ☐ No	
Do you want to use	different colors?	☐ Yes ☐ No	
If so, what colors?			

Do you need to use follow spots?	☐ Yes ☐ No
Will you be bringing in any additional lighting equipment?	☐ Yes ☐ No
If so, what equipment?	
Other lighting comments and concerns:	
Sound	
The sound system is used to play music, use microphones for a lea	cture, dramatic presentation or concert, or to
play audio of a movie. At least one operator is required if the	sound system is used. The standard audio
configuration of the NHPAC is sufficient for music playback. Add	ditional sound needs will require additional set-
up time and additional crew.	
Will you need to use the house sound system?	□Yes □No
Will you be bringing your own?	☐ Yes ☐ No
Will you need to tie your system into the house sound system?	☐ Yes ☐ No
Will you need microphones?	☐ Yes ☐ No
If so, how many, what type and for what purpose?	
On stage monitors are the speakers placed on stage so that the	performers can hear the music being played or
what the audience is hearing.	
Will you need stage monitors?	☐ Yes ☐ No
If so, how many?	
Will you want an audio recording of your event?	
(Recording requires an additional crew person)	
Other sound reinforcement comments or concerns:	
Projection	
The NHPAC is equipped with a scrim and cyclorama which can be	oe used as projection screens. We can refer you
to a vendor for a projector.	
Will you need to use the projection system?	☐ Yes ☐ No
What playback formats will you be using in your event?	

☐ Yes ☐ No
☐ Yes ☐ No
☐ Yes ☐ No
□Yes □ No
☐ Yes ☐ No
☐ Yes ☐ No
nown as the stage plot. If you require more

Orchestra Pit

The NHPAC is equipped with a pit lift which can be used in three different configurations. The pit lift is typically used to hold up-close orchestra seating in the audience house. The pit lift can also be raised to be used as a						
forward extension of the stage known as an apron. For the use of a band or orchestra, the pit lift can be lowered as well. Use of the pit lift as an apron or orchestra pit will require additional set-up time and additional crew. Will you require the use of the pit lift? Yes No						
Other						
Is open flame a part of your production	ction?		□Yes □No			
(Example: candles, cigarettes, cigars, prop If yes, please explain:						
Will you be using chemical fog, dry If yes, please explain:				☐ Yes ☐ No		
Will you be using any other special If yes, please explain: Please attach or send some brief in organization. If you are a 501(c) 3 confirming this status. To the best of my knowledge, the a act and sign documents on behalf o organization to perform pursuant to	formation on the organization, p bove information for the individual	e background, a blease attach a c on is true and con or organization	ctivities and purpos opy of the determi	nation letter from the IRS		
Name (please print)		Position	1			
Signature		 Date				
APPLICATION RETURN:						
When completed, please fax or mail the	his document and	supporting docun	nentation to:			
c/o Managing Director	Ph: (323) 964-9768				
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