

THE NATIONAL THEATRE

FACILITIES



LOCATION

Approximately 5km from the Melbourne CBD, 150m from St Kilda foreshore, Luna Park and the Palais Theatre and 2mins away from a wealth of fine dining in Acland St or Fitzroy St.
Melways reference Map 58 B10.

PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Tram No 96 from Bourke St to Acland St
Tram No 16 from Swanston St to Carlisle St stopping outside the theatre.
Bus No 246 down Hoddle St and Punt Rd stopping outside the theatre.
Also buses from Chadstone, Brighton and Southland.
Trains leave from Balaclava station to the City.
Exceptionally good location for hailing cabs.

PARKING

On street parking is available. Please observe parking regulations (Parking information and Directions can be accessed at the following link: <http://venue.nationaltheatre.org.au/?page=map>).
Metered parking can be found around the Palais Theatre or Luna Park area.
There is a Wilson car park located 50m down Barkly St above Coles Supermarket.
Two disabled car parks are located directly outside the National Theatre in Barkly St – with a modified footpath to accommodate wheelchairs.
There is also a disabled car park located opposite the theatre in Carlisle St.

THE THEATRE

Auditorium steeply raked. Good sightlines throughout, divided by gangway between eighth and ninth row at entrance level.
Front lounge - 264 armchairs. Rear lounge - 519 tip up seats.
Total capacity 783 patrons.

FOYERS

Main entrance - corner position, 1600 sq ft with Box office, candy bar and toilets. There are no cloakroom facilities.
Marble staircase leads to Mezzanine Foyer 1100 sq ft with access to the theatre; one large enclosed merchandising area or display area or closed off work area. Twin stairs lead to upper foyer of 1300 sq ft with licensed bar and toilets.
Twin stairs lead to the auditorium.
Disabled access to the theatre is available via a vertical lift located in the lower foyer (just past the ladies toilets) to the mezzanine level foyer.
There are two stair climbers available to take either a wheelchair or mobility impaired patrons up to the auditorium or bar areas.
A hearing loop is available to be turned on if prior warning is received by the theatre management. Either a headphone or neck loop is available from the box office upon request.

DISABLED ACCESS

Disabled access to the theatre is available via a vertical lift located in the lower foyer (just past the ladies toilets) to the mezzanine level foyer.
There are two stair climbers available to take either a standard wheelchair or mobility impaired patrons up to the auditorium or bar areas.
The stair climbers have a maximum load of 225kgs and are designed for standard (non-motorised) wheelchairs. Their base dimensions are 77cm (wide) by 100cm (long). Equipment outside these limits cannot be safely accommodated. Patrons are requested to contact the box office directly on 9525 4611 to discuss their needs and requirements prior to booking.

All bookings requiring the wheelchair locations in the auditorium must be made through the box office and are not available on-line.

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LOADING DOCK

3 Tonne Goods Lift (4.1m x 2.9m x 2.9m)
Located in Albert St Staff car park

THE STAGE

Stage area 12.19m x 27.43m (40ft x 90ft)
Proscenium opening 10.66m (35ft)
Proscenium Height: Centre 5.56m (18ft 3in), Sides 5.10m (16ft 9in)
Orchestra pit area 69.67sqm. (750 sq ft).
Apron stage over orchestra pit
Acting area in front of proscenium arch. 18.58sqm. (200 sq ft)
Note: The performance space when legs and borders are flown in is approx. 10m x 10m plus the forestage.
Stage Piano – Yamaha G1 (5'3") Baby Grand **AND** Orchestra Pit Piano – Upright

STAGE FITTINGS

House curtain - red, counter weight action, vertical rise only, no central opening
Cinema screen – not movable
Cyclorama
5 lighting bars
23 lines (SWL approx 180Kgs)
2 sets black tabs, 5 black borders, 5 sets black legs
Projection Screen 3.5 m x 2.5 m

DRESSING ROOMS

2 x 240 sq ft, 1 x 200 sq ft, 1 x 65 sq ft
Male and Female toilets and showers
The Diana Gibson Room - 1x 400 sq ft (warmup / holding space)

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LIGHTING

Strand Palette VL64 (1000 channels)
96 dimmers - 79 x 2kW and 17 x 5kW dimmers
Movable booms on stage.
2 lighting bars over auditorium. 3m bar over proscenium arch
2 fixed perches in auditorium.

STANDARD LIGHTING RIG INCLUDES:

Follow spots x 2
3 colour front wash (blue, red, amber), 4 colour stage wash (blue, red, lavender, amber)
Decal break-up wash, Backlight (blue, amber), Side lighting
5 front spots, 9 down spots
4 colour cyclorama wash (blue, red, lavender, yellow)

Also available:

8 Par 16's and 16 Par 64's

40A 3-phase outlet in dimmer room
40A 3-phase outlet on prompt side of proscenium

Available Lamp stock may vary

Stock not shown on standard rig will incur a hire charge.
Smoke Machine and Mirror Ball available at extra cost.

AUDIO

40 channel main Mixing console
14 channel mixing console (for side of stage operation)
CDRW / Cassette recorder
CD / Cassette player
6000W Funktion One PA system with subs and center speaker
8 x delay speakers hung from Front Of House bridge
Foldback flown from lighting bars LX1 and LX3

2 Vocal microphones

1 Active DI for keyboards

****2 radio microphones available as handheld or lapel** additional hire cost**

AUDIO / VISUAL

3000 ANSI Lumens Data Projector
2 DVD Players
Projection Screen 3.5 m x 2.5 m
VGA over cat5 kit

TALKBACK

Six wired stations.

Two wireless stations ****conditions apply****

FLOORING

Black masonite floor is standard. Black tarkett dance floor is available for ballet or bare foot performances only. Charge applies.

FILM PROJECTION EQUIPMENT

Both 16mm and 35mm equipment available with standard screen ratios.
Equipment and projectionist requirements should be discussed in advance of any screening.

ADDITIONAL CHARGES APPLY FOR:

All AV equipment, extra audio equipment, blown & extra lamps, gobos, extra talkback (stations & headsets), consumables, electricity and gas consumption.

SOFT GOODS AVAILABLE FOR HIRE

There are extra charges for these items
Black Scrim

For detailed information on our technical specifications please visit our website:

<http://www.nationaltheatre.org.au/>

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