Greek Theatre Facility Information

Location

Hearst Greek Theatre
2001 Gayley Rd
Berkeley, CA 94720-101
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Campus Map >

U.S. Interstate 80 to Ashby Avenue exit. East two miles to Telegraph Avenue. North (left) on Telegraph one mile to Durant Avenue. East (right) on Durant two blocks to Piedmont Avenue. North (left) on Piedmont, which becomes Gayley Road. Follow Gayley Road to just past the Kleeberger Field on right. East (right) on Stadium Rim Way; immediate left into Bowles parking lot. Uphill approach to loading gate area on South side of Greek Theatre. No parking allowed in Bowles lot without prior arrangement.

House Capacity

Bowl Seating 6,500
Lawn Area 2,000
Total 8,500

Loading Dock

Loading area accessed at south side entrance, stage right. The parking lot is very steep (>10% grade).

Stage Dimensions

Stage Width: 127’ X 28’
note: additional 12’ stage extension (photo shows extension and sound scaffolding) is available, but must be installed in advance.

Offstage Right: 20’ X 54’
Offstage Left: 20’ X 54’
Upstage: 170’ X 28’

Sand Pit, covered with heavy tarp for the summer season.
Height of stage from pit: 6’5”
Facility has no existing grid or fly system.

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Floor
Stage Floor Concrete and Terrazza.
Not raked, but slopes DS for drainage. DS lip has a small US slope to a drainage tray.

Dance Floor
None available.

Soft Goods
No soft goods.

Sound Equipment
All front of house, monitor, and headset sound equipment must be brought in per show; none available in-house.

Mix position is on platforms, a forklift is used to pick and place the console cases and racks. Sound levels are closely monitored in order to comply with local regulations limiting levels to 94.8db, “A” weighted, 15 minute average, at the mix position.
Lighting And Electrics Equipment

All lighting equipment except limited house lighting must be brought in per show; none available in-house.

Company Switch/Patch Panel

Company Switch- 3 phase, 120/208VAC, 400A located SR, generally used for lighting power. A second service for audio is run to SR during the summer season and is rated- 3 phase, 120/208VAC, 150 Amp.

Circuits/Lighting Positions

House: none
In Spot Booth: 6- Single phase 208, 30 Amp for followspots
Off R: 2- 20A for worklights
Off L: 2- 20A for worklights

Lighting Inventory

Followspots: None. Spot Platform available for rented spotlights.

Important Notes: Lighting equipment available only upon advance notice and only on a rental basis at Greek Theatre. Please advance an inventory and lighting plot. Cal Performances does not maintain a gel inventory.

Dressing Rooms

Located on lower level. No paging system. Dressing Rooms have minimal services; no mirrors, lights, etc. Toilet facilities and showers are located lower level stage left and right.

Kitchen

Located on lower level. Refrigeration, sink and warming capabilities.

Concessions

Concessions services available with advanced notice and large enough audience.

Piano

None available on site.
Crew Information

Cal Performances manages Zellerbach Auditorium, Zellerbach Playhouse, the William Randolph Hearst Greek Theatre, and Wheeler Auditorium. Cal Performances is governed by a union contract between the University of California, Berkeley, and the University Professional and Technical Employees (UPTE), Local 1, which is affiliated with the Communication Workers of America (CWA). All stagehand employees are professional, non-student positions. Please call in advance regarding IATSE labor or “yellow card” shows.