Beethoven Room

Technical Specifications



The Beethoven Room is a recital room with a raised stage, used ideally for a Capella, chamber and avant-garde music. The venue is not blacked out, allowing natural light to enter during daytime performances. Canvas flats can be used to create wings and entrances. There is a small storage area in the venue and a dressing room directly behind the stage for changing.

STAGING

Stage Depth: 4.6m
Stage Width: 10m
Hall Depth: 10m

Stage: Wooden Floor raised 0.3m

Seating Capacity: 150 chairs on the floor

Height: 3.86m (stage to ceiling)

Loading Door: Double Door up 2 flights of stairs

Pianoforte: Kawai Concert Grand and Bösendorfer Baby Grand permanently on stage.

LIGHTING

The venue has very basic stage lighting:

Lighting Control: 6 way non preset lighting desk.

Dimmers: 6 x 2kw dimmer pack. **Lighting Fixtures:** 2 x ETC Source Four

4 x Par 56 300w Parcans

This is a generic equipment list and may be substituted to better suit the productions in the venue. The National Arts Festival does not provide companies with lighting gel, smoke machines, data projectors, screens, etc. If you require any assistance with sourcing any of the latter equipment please consult the Technical Office. Any practical electrical equipment you intend to use should be SABS approved and electrically safe and the National Arts Festival reserves the right to refuse usage of equipment which fails a visual and electrical insulation test.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Please fill out the technical questionnaire and return it to the Technical Office as soon as possible. If this information changes once you are in rehearsals please advise the Technical Office. We want to assist you as much as possible to make the technical aspect of your show run as smoothly as possible and the more information we have the easier this will be.

Each company is assigned a technical rehearsal slot of 2 hours prior to their first performance. This time should be used to load your set and props into the venue and to assemble your set, focus lighting specials, plot lighting and sound cues and to do a full technical rehearsal of your show. Please use this time wisely; arrive prepared and on time for your get-in/technical rehearsal. The rehearsal schedules are extremely tight and you will not be allowed to overrun your allotted time, as this will affect other company's rehearsals and/or performances. If you cannot attend the rehearsal slot that the Fringe Office has given you, please contact the office to arrange an alternative slot.

Please note that it is your responsibility to remove your set and props after your last performance. Arrange a convenient time to do this with the venue technicians.

- Please take note that due to the nature of the Festival venues no floor or wall fixings are permitted in any of the venues. If this poses a problem for your set, please contact the technical office to discuss an alternative solution.
- Smoking is not permitted in any festival venue. If your production requires an actor to smoke during the performance you will
 be required to complete a special effects form and follow a regulatory safety procedure.
- Be vigilant in safekeeping your personal belongings. The National Arts Festival can take no responsibility for loss or damage to equipment, instruments, props, costumes or any other items in festival venues.

TECHNICAL STAFF

The venue has two technicians and a stage hand to assist you with your set-up and strike, and they are available to operate lighting and sound cues for your performances. The stage management of each performance is the presenting company's responsibility. If you wish the venue technicians to operate either lighting or sound for your show, please provide a legible and clear cue sheet when you arrive for your technical rehearsal, and allow for sufficient time to do a technical run through with the operators.

FRONT OF HOUSE

Tickets will be sold at the door 30 minutes prior to the advertised starting time. The audience will be allowed into the venue 10 minutes prior to curtain-up. Please ensure that your cast and crew arrive by the half hour call (at the latest 35 minutes before the performance) and are ready to start the performance at the advertised start time.

LOCATION

The Beethoven Room is on the first floor of the Rhodes Music Department on Somerset Street.



VIEW OF STAGE AND SEATING





If you have any special requirements or need assistance with any aspect of your production please contact the technical office in good time.

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