



TECHNICAL SCHEDULE

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**BALLARAT
MECHANICS'
INSTITUTE**



**THE
MINERVA**
BALLARAT

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***The BMI acknowledges the Wadawurrung
People of the Kulin Nation as the first
inhabitants and Traditional Custodians of the
lands where we work, learn and create.
Always Was, Always Will Be, Aboriginal Land.***

About the BMI

The Ballarat Mechanics' Institute was established in 1859. The Institute was first established as an independent home for arts, culture and learning. With one of the oldest operating independent lending libraries in Australia, and home to a very large collection of newspapers, books, and photos, the Ballarat Mechanics' Institute continues to be a valuable asset for the Ballarat community.

Ballaarat Mechanics' Institute (BMI), sitting proudly under the watchful eye of Minerva, has welcomed a diverse group of people through its doors, from the founding fathers, to miners and others seeking knowledge through education.

Since 1859, the BMI has been used for balls, lectures, markets, cinema, library, concerts and cultural events. Following a magnificent restoration in 2013, the BMI continues its significant role in Ballarat's rich cultural heritage.

The BMI offer an exciting and versatile suite of spaces that can be hired for a wide range of occasions, including:

The Hugh Williamson Foyer is our smallest and most intimate room. It is perfect for small meetings or consultations, and also to use as a break-out room with direct access to the bathroom facilities. It is also on the same floor as the finishing kitchen. **Capacity: 30pax**

The Humffray Room is our beautiful, medium size, ballroom complete with a small dance floor and inbuilt bar area. It is great for larger meetings, small music concerts and wedding ceremonies, and cocktail functions. This room houses our 1913 C. Bechstein Grand Piano and it also has a balcony with views up and down Sturt Street. **Max capacity: 150pax**

The Minerva Space is our large flat floor Grand Hall complete with a proscenium arch theatre with a tiered stage and professional lighting, audio, and projection system. It is perfect for performances and live music, but is extremely versatile that it can host events from sit-down dinners and wedding receptions to movie screenings and art exhibitions. **Max capacity: 280 pax**

NOTE: This document outlines the technical specifications and equipment for the Ballarat Mechanics' Institute. Please be aware that not all equipment listed in this schedule will be available at all times. All information is true and correct at the time of publishing.

Stage Machinery and Electrical

FOH Curtain: Centre L/R split - inside pros arch
Material: Fireproof Pyrovatex Velvet (Green)
Open/Close time: 13 Seconds
Operated by push button (electric winch) on prompt side

Note: Nothing must hinder or impede the closing of the FOH curtain, as it is a fire safety mechanism.

Lighting Bars:

FOH Bar: 200kg SWL
Length: 8000mm, Height: Adjustable
Horizontal distance from Setting line: 4700mm
12 x 240v outlets, Sub-patch Points 1-12, 1x DMX out
Controlled via push button electric winch at SM Desk

LX1: 200kg SWL
Length: 9000mm, Height: Adjustable
Horizontal distance from Setting line: 600mm
12 x 240v outlets, Sub-patch Points 13-24, 1x DMX out
Controlled via hand winch on off prompt side

LX2: 200kg SWL
Length: 9000mm, Height: Adjustable
Horizontal distance from Setting line: 3100mm
12 x 240v outlets, Sub-patch Points 24-36, 1x DMX out
Controlled via hand winch on off prompt side

Stage Cloths:

Legs: x2 Pairs - Black PFZ Treated wool
Width: 1800mm, Drop: 5410mm

Borders: x2 - Black PFZ Treated wool
Width: 9000mm, Drop: 1500mm

Rear Curtain: x1 set (pair) - Black PFZ Treated wool - Centre-split, hand operated
Width: 5250mm, Drop: 5500mm

Scrim x 1 - White Sharkstooth Gauze (installed on a track behind the rear curtain)
Width: 9500mm, Drop: 5500mm

Power: 6 x 240v, 10amp outlets at side of stage (4x Prompt Side, 2x Off Prompt)
2 x 3 Phase 5 pin outlets at Prompt Side of stage (1x 20amp, 1x 32amp)
Multiple 10amp extension cables - Black - 2m & 5m - All tested and tagged
Multiple 10amp power boards - Black - 5 or 6 outlet - all tested and tagged
1 x LSC Redback Wallmount 12 Dimmer (one outlet not working)
1 x LSC APS/10A 12 channel rack-mount distro

Technical Equipment

Note: All technical equipment at the BMI must be operated by BMI Technical Staff, or approved external technicians.

Audio System

The Minerva Space audio system consists of a Midas M32R mixing console as the main FOH and sends control unit that drives our FOH audio - RCF Art 735-A speakers, 705-AS II subs.

Standard Audio Equipment

- 1 x MIDAS M32R digital mixing console - 16 in, 8 out, 6 aux in, 6 aux out
- 1 x MIDAS DL32 digital stage box - 32 in, 16 out
- 2 x RCF Art 735-A speakers *and* 2 x RCF 705-AS II subs
- 2 x QSC K12 speakers (used for fold-back)
- 1 x 20ch (16 in, 4 out) XLR analogue multicore

Microphones

- 6 x Shure Beta58A[^]
- 2 x Shure BLX24R B58[^]
- 4 x Shure SM57[^]
- 4 x Sennheiser E609[^]
- 1 x Shure Super 55 Mic[^]
- 1 x Shure PGA52[^]
- 3 x Shure PGA56[^]
- 1 x Shure PGA57[^]
- 2 x Shure PGA81[^]
- 1 x Sennheiser e835 Microphone[^]
- 2 x Audio Technica AT808G Dynamic Microphone (Lectern)
- 1 x Shure WH20XLR Head-worn Mic - used in conjunction with XSW-D^{^†}

- 2 x Klark Teknik Pro DI 2 DI 20P[^]
- 2 x Klark Teknik DI 10P[^]
- 2 x Sennheiser XS Wireless Digital XLR Base Set^{^†}

- 8 x K&M 210/6 tall tri-stand[^]
- 2 x K&M 260 tall round-base stand[^]
- 5 x K&M 259/1 short stand[^]
- Multiple XLR cables of different lengths

Lighting Equipment

- 1 x LSC Mantra Lite lighting console with fader wing
- 1 x LSC Redback Wallmount 12 Dimmer (one outlet not working)
- 1 x LSC APS/10A 12 channel rack-mount distro
- 12 x Chauvet DJ SlimPAR Pro H
- 2 x Chauvet Intimidator Spot 375Z
- 2 x Chauvet Intimidator Wash 450IRC Zoom
- 12 x MultiPARs (ProShop HPL 575W), multiple lens' available
- 2 x LED Stage Work Lights - controlled via ext. lead at SM Desk

*The BMI is fitted with a full light rigging system installed by I.T.E. (Installation Theatrical Engineering).
The specifications for lighting bars are contained on page 5 of this document.*

[^] Only available on request, not part of standard rig - please allow at least one (1) week for retrieval/setup.

[†] Usage fees may apply, please consult Venue and Events Manager.

Standard AV Equipment

- 1 x NEC NC1200C DLP® Digital Cinema Projector
 - Screen - 6100mm (W) x 3800mm (Drop - with 700mm border below)
- 2x Canon XA40 Professional UHD 4K Camcorder
 - with 2x Hollyland MARS400 Pro, batteries, cables, tripods etc
- 1x Blackmagic ATEM Mini Pro video production broadcast system

Minerva Space Projection

The Minerva Space projection system of our NEC NC1200C DLP® Digital Cinema Projector and a permanent, motorised drop-down screen.

The NEC NC1200 is compatible with HDMI (via a HDMI to DVI cable) as well as BluRay and DVD.

If you require another type of cable please provide your own device to connect with HDMI Male.

NOTE: This projector is permanently installed behind the rear of the stage, inside the Green Room. The projector screen is fitted directly behind the FOH curtain, and when the projector is in use and the projector screen is down, the stage can not be utilised.

Events that require the simultaneous use of the full stage and a projector should contact an equipment hire company (we recommend SLC Ballarat) to obtain a projector and screen that can be hung on a lighting bar. We do not have the capacity to achieve this setup internally.

Access

Stairs/Main Access: There's a non-time limited loading zone on Sturt Street near the front of the building. Hirers may load their equipment through the front foyer and carry items up the main stairs. The main doors are 2600mm wide and 2700mm high. The stairs do present some difficulty for especially large objects. Please consult with the Venue and Events Manager.

Elevator: The elevator is accessible via the front foyer. The doors are 910mm wide and 2100mm tall. It is 2100mm long inside.

Rear Access: There is a Loading Zone on Lewis Street (at the rear of the building) and hirers can load equipment up the fire escape stairs into the Minerva Space. The door into the Minerva is 1050mm wide and 2100mm high. The stairs are 1200mm wide (rail to rail). There are approx. 25 steps.

Parking: Unfortunately the BMI does not have any reserved parking for the venue. There is a large amount of paid parking along Sturt Street (first hour free, \$3 for every hour after, 9am-5.30pm, Sunday free) and a \$6.50 all day carpark at the corner of Dana St and Anderson St W.

Other Important Information

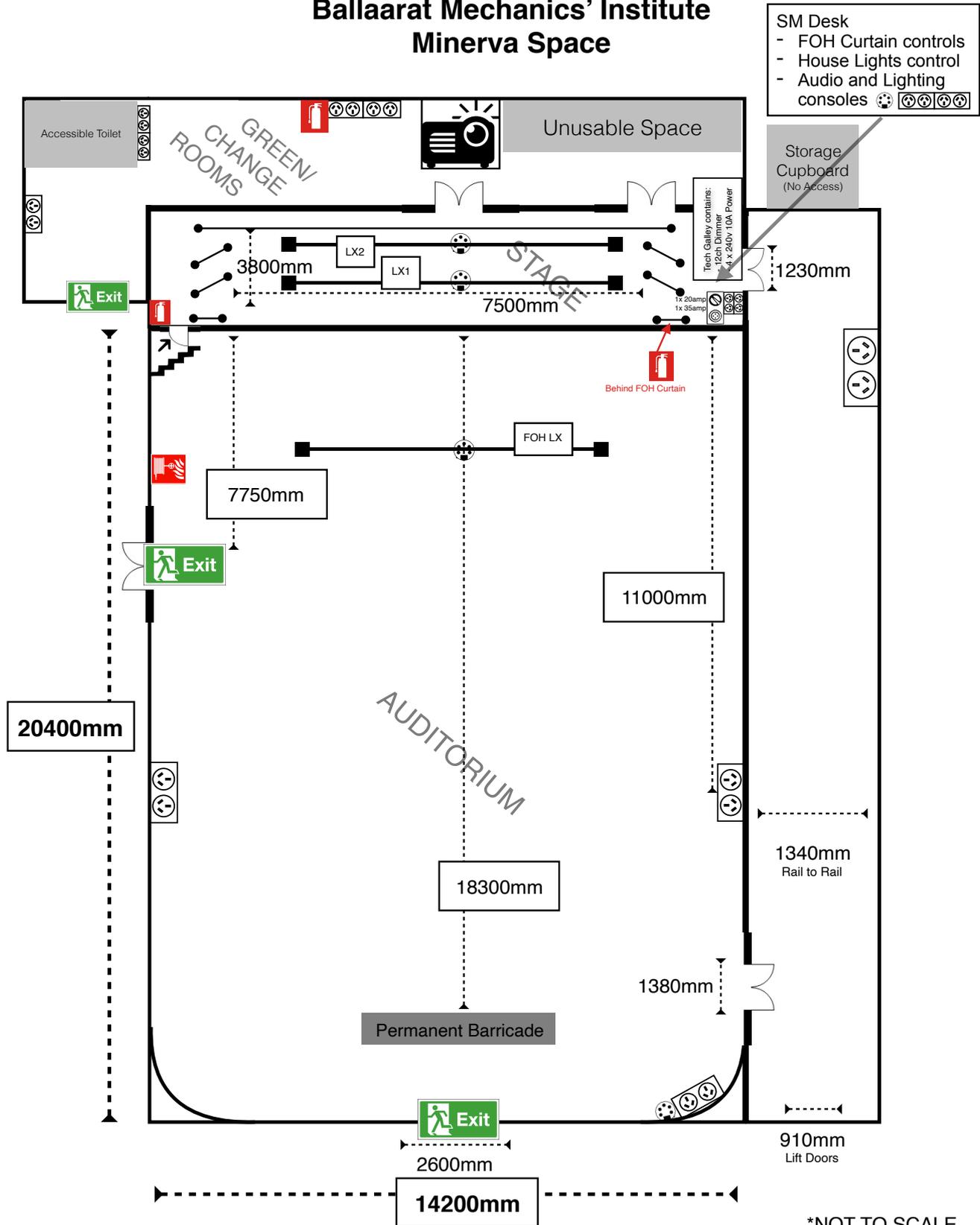
Security: The BMI Venue and Events Manager will determine, after undertaking an initial risk assessment, if any event needs to have dedicated security guards or protection services. These will be contracted at the expense of the hirer. All contractors must be approved by Venue and Events Manager

First Aid Kits: First Aid Kits are located throughout the building. Our main first aid kit is located on the ground floor in the cupboard that is opposite to the lift doors. There is a first aid kit located in the Minerva Space on stage at the PS-DS corner, just near the SM Desk. If these kits are used you should notify the Venue and Events Manager so that they can be immediately restocked.

- Egress:** All emergency exits must, at all times, remain unobstructed to ensure egress is constantly maintained. Any items, furniture, or equipment that hinders or obstructs exits will be immediately removed and a warning will be issued. If egress continues to be hindered hirers may be required to vacate the building and forfeit their hire.
- Smoke Detection:** The BMI is fitted with an automatic smoke and fire detection system throughout the building. Hazers, smoke machines, open flame, candles, or anything similar must not be used without prior written approval from the Venue and Events Manager. This approval must be applied for at least two weeks before your event. A fire warden will be required to be present.
- Noise:** Sound Pressure Levels within the auditorium should not exceed an average of 88dB continuous exposure per four hours per day (National Health and Medical Research Council of Australia). For Sound Pressure Levels in excess of 88 dB to a maximum Peak Level of 140dB hearing protections must be made available to BMI staff and patrons.
- Test and Tag:** All portable equipment must be tested and tagged per AS/NZS 3760. If an item isn't tagged the BMI is able to test it for \$5 per item (staff dependent).
- Control Positions:** The lighting and sound desk have multiple control positions. The standard control position is on the prompt side of stage at the SM Desk. Both desks are able to be moved into the auditorium and placed on the western wall, approx. half way up the wall towards the rear of the auditorium. Both desks do have the capacity to be placed at the rear of the auditorium, against the barricade, however you will need to hire extra equipment to be able to do this. Please consult with the Venue and Events Manager.
- Stage Risers:** BMI owns two risers (Length: 1800mm, Width: 1500mm, Height: 450mm). These can be used either on the stage or on the floor. They are commonly utilised when using the projector for conferences or orations. The lectern can be placed on top of the riser so the audience can see the speaker.
- Minerva Floor:** The auditorium floor is polished hardwood. 14200mm (W) x 20400mm (L). **Gaffer tape IS NOT TO BE USED** on the auditorium floor under any circumstance. Using gaff will remove the top protective coating of the floor. If damage occurs this will be charged back to the hirer.
- Seating:** Seating is provided via single temporary stackable seats. The seats are cushioned and can be locked together if required.
Seating plans can be requested from the Venue and Events Manager. Fees apply for any changes from the standard layout (cocktail setting).
- Patron Limits:** The Minerva Space is licensed to hold a maximum of 294 people. This limit must NEVER be exceeded. This number must also include any staff or artists. For clarification consult with the Venue and Events Manager.
- Green Room/ Change Room:** A Green/Change Room is located behind the stage. 6500mm x 3200mm. It is fitted with a bar fridge, 3 wash-basins with large mirror, make-up lights, 8 power points, hooks, chairs, iron and ironing table. This room adjoins a LH accessible all-gender toilet.

- Staffing:** Hirers are required to have at least two responsible adults on site at all times. These persons will be responsible for the safety and security of the building and its patrons.
At any time, for any event, the BMI may determine that BMI staff are required to be on site. These staff will be employed at the expense of the hirer (usually incorporated into the hire quote). Venue staff will undertake the tasks they are designated (eg. Duty Technician, Lighting and Sound Operator, Fire Warden etc.) but will also hold the same authority of the Venue and Events Manager in relation to health, safety and risk.
The Hirer shall at all times defer to the venue staff if there is a question of safety and/or damage to the venue or equipment.
- Network Access:** Internet Access can be achieved with either Wi-Fi or Ethernet. A network switch is available on PS Stage (near the SM Desk) and has 2 available outlets. Wi-Fi is available throughout most of the building, including the Minerva Space. Wi-Fi details are available on contacting the Venue and Events Manager. Download speeds average 5-15Mbps on Wi-Fi and 90-100Mbps connected to ethernet (not guaranteed).
- Lectern:** BMI owns one Lectrum Aero (silver frame, red fabric, BMI Logo on front). This has two XLR inputs for lectern microphones (Audio Technica AT808G).
- Ladder:** 1x 3.4m A-frame industrial ladder. To be used under BMI Staff supervision.
- Piano:** 1925 R. Lipp & Sohn Upright
Note: This piano is tuned to A440. Tuning is only to be carried out by a BMI authorised piano tuner, at the expense of the hirer. Pianos should be booked well in advance to allow scheduling of tuning to occur.

Ballaarat Mechanics' Institute Minerva Space

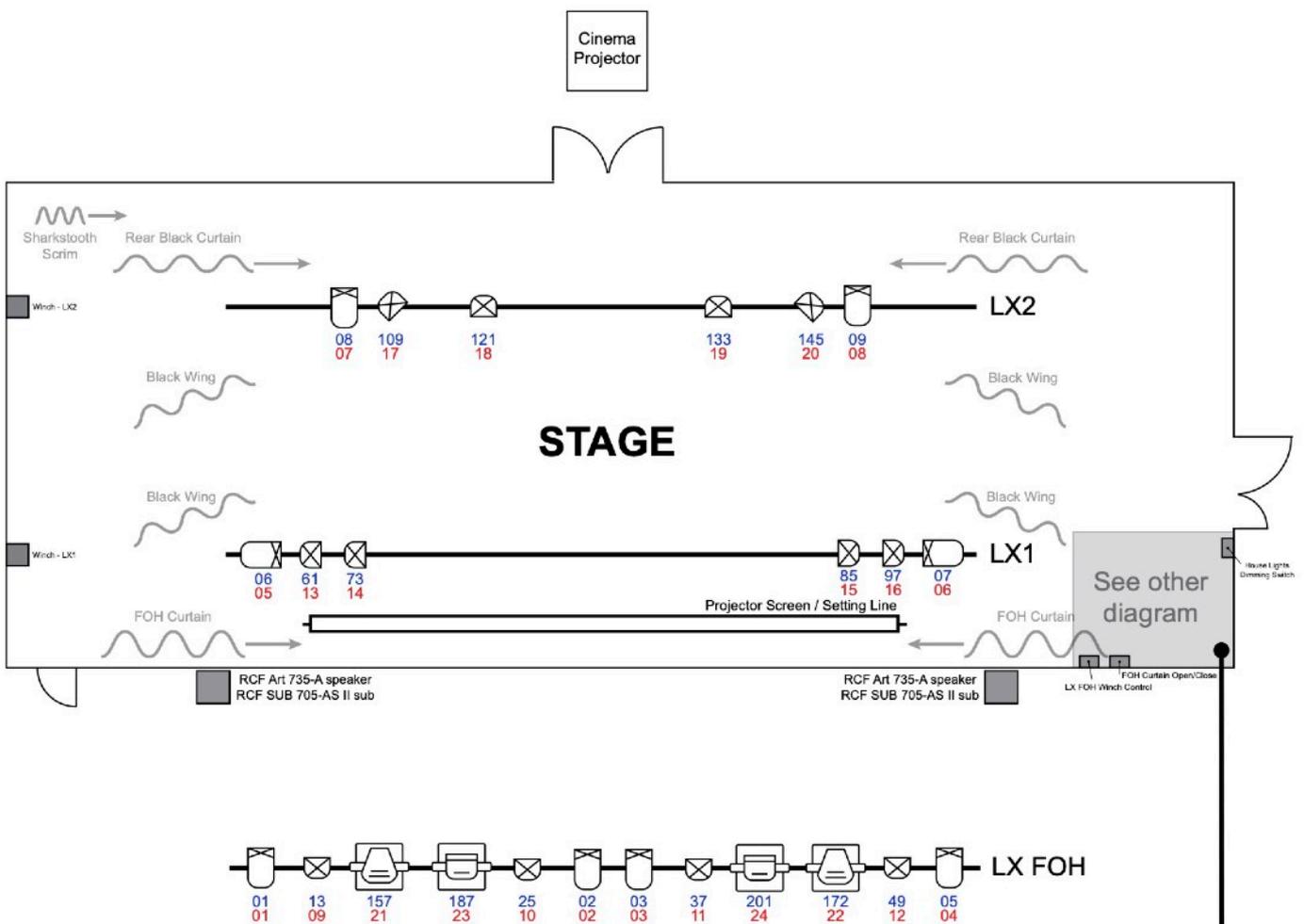


SM Desk
 - FOH Curtain controls
 - House Lights control
 - Audio and Lighting consoles

| KEY: | |
|------|--|
| | Emergency Exit |
| | Fire Hose Reel |
| | Fire Extinguisher |
| | Stairs |
| | 3 Phase power Find amperage on plan |
| | Double power outlet 240v 10amp |
| | Projector |
| | Lighting Bar |
| | Doorway |
| | Curtain |
| | DMX In/Out |

Egress and Minerva Space - Measurements

| Location | Width | Height | Length | Depth | Other |
|--|--|--------|--------|-------|--|
| NOTE | ALL MEASUREMENTS ARE IN MILLIMETRES | | | | |
| ENTRY TO BUILDING | | | | | |
| Front Doors | 2270 | 2290 | | | |
| Foyer Auto Doors | 1310 | 2480 | | | |
| Front Foyer Hallway | 2570 | 3160 | 11000 | | |
| Main Stairs | 1350 | 2000 | | | |
| Foyer passage to lift | | | | | |
| Lift Doors | 900 | 2100 | | | |
| Lift Internal | 1080 | 2240 | 2100 | | 2340mm - corner to corner |
| ACCESS - MINERVA | | | | | |
| Doors to stairs - Minerva | 2400 | 2700 | | | |
| Doors to Fire Stairs - Minerva | 1200 | 2000 | | | |
| Side door - lift hallway - Minerva | 1380 | 2200 | | | |
| Door from side hallway to side stage (P) | 1230 | 2350 | | | |
| Door from side stage to green room | 1450 | 2300 | | | |
| Door at rear of stage to green room | 1900 | 2300 | | | |
| Door - Minerva Space to side stage (OP) | 800 | 2060 | | | |
| Hallway (incl. handrails) | 1330 | 2240 | 19000 | | <i>Note: The hallway has a 4° incline (1:14)</i> |
| MINERVA SPACE | | | | | |
| Main Auditorium | 14200 | 7350 | 20400 | | <i>Note: There is a curve in both corners at the rear of the room (opposite the stage)</i> |
| Proscenium Arch | 8250 | 4550 | | | |
| Stage (setting line to rear curtain, wing to wing - aka performance space) | 7800 | | | 3500 | <i>Note: The stage has a 1.5° rake (1:43)</i> |
| Stage (wall to wall, lip to rear wall) | 14300 | 5700 | | 5650 | |
| Green Room (artist and crew rest area) | 3200 | 2760 | 6500 | | |



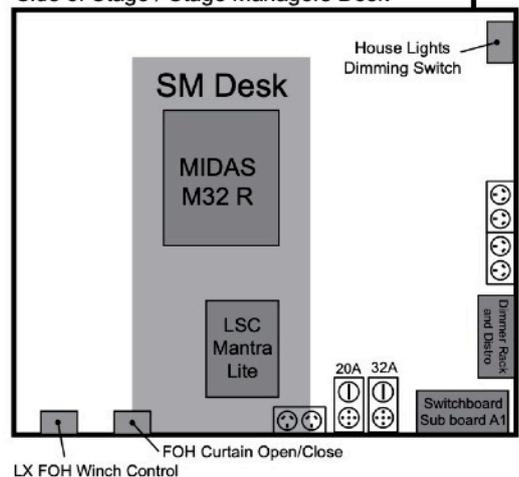
Red: Channel on Mantra
 Blue: Starting DMX
 Dimmer Rack: DMX 1-12

NOTE: This plan is not to scale

KEY

- Curtain
- 240v/10A outlet
- 3 phase outlet
- MultiPAR 575W
- SlimPAR Pro H
- Intimidator Spot 375Z
- Intimidator Wash 450IRC Zoom

Side of Stage / Stage Managers Desk



MINERVA SPACE STANDARD RIG

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Standard Lighting Patch - August 2021

SUBPATCH

| Bar | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
|--------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| FOH 25-36 | LEDP | MPAR | INTS | INTW | LEDP | MPAR | MPAR | LEDP | INTW | INTS | MPAR | LEDP |
| LX1 13-24 | MPAR | | LEDP | | LEDP | | | LEDP | | LEDP | | MPAR |
| LX2 1-12 | | | MPAR | LEDP | LEDP | | | LEDP | LEDP | MPAR | | |

KEY:

MPAR: MultiPar 575W

INTW: Intimidator Wash 450IRC Z

LEDP: SlimPAR Pro H

INTS: Intimidator Spot 375Z

PATCH

Dimmer Rack

| | |
|----------|----------|
| 1 - 35 | 2 - 31 |
| 3 - 30 | 4 - FKD |
| 5 - 26 | 6 - 24 |
| 7 - 13 | 8 - 10 |
| 9 - 3 | 10 - NIL |
| 11 - NIL | 12 - NIL |

Distro

| | |
|------------|------------|
| 1 - 27 | 2 - 34 |
| 3 - 28 | 4 - 33 |
| 5 - 25, 29 | 6 - 32, 36 |
| 7 - 15, 17 | 8 - 20, 22 |
| 9 - 4, 5 | 10 - 8, 9 |
| 11 - NIL | 12 - NIL |

The Humffray Room

The Humffray Room is our beautiful, medium size, ballroom complete with a small dance floor and inbuilt bar area. It is great for larger meetings, small music concerts and wedding ceremonies, and cocktail functions. This room houses our 1913 C Bechstein Grand Piano and it also has a balcony with views up and down Sturt Street.

The Humffray room can hold up to 90 seated theatre-style, 40 seated dinner-style and standing capacity for 150 guests.

The room has a bar/servery, carpeted floor with small dance floor, projection facilities, Wi-Fi access plus a professional JBL PA system.

It can also be utilised as a breakout room for the larger Minerva Space for catering or pre-function food and drinks.

For more details of this room please contact the Venue and Events Manager.

Equipment

Audio

- 1 x Mackie ProFX12 Console
- 2 x JBL EON15 G2 speakers

Lighting

- 1 x Strand 100+ Lighting Console
- 4 x Chauvet DJ SlimPAR Pro H (transferred from Minerva Space rig)

Note: Equipment can be transferred from the Minerva Space if needed, however priority is given to hirers of the Minerva Space when it is being used.

Audio Visual

- 1x Epson MegaPlex MG-850HD Projector
- Screen Size: 2200mm x 1600mm

Piano

- 1913 C. Bechstein M/P192 Grand Piano (6'4")

Note: This piano is tuned to A440. Tuning is only to be carried out by a BMI authorised piano tuner, at the expense of the hirer. Pianos should be booked well in advance to allow scheduling of tuning to occur

| <u>HUMFFRAY ROOM</u> | Width | Height | Length | Notes |
|-------------------------|-------|--------|--------|---|
| Wall to wall | 8000 | | 16000 | Note: This space has an indent on the north wall (Sturt St wall) for the balcony. |
| Permanent Bar | 5700 | | 2800 | |
| Doors (from stairs) x 2 | 930 | 2200 | | |
| Door (from lift) | 1000 | 2810 | | |

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