



Lightwire Theater's A Very Electric Christmas Tech Rider

COMPANY: Six (6) Performers, unless specified by Company.

RUNNING TIME: Sixty minute performance no intermission.

ACCESS:

- ◆ Lightwire Theater's stage manager will phone in advance of the engagement to confirm the Company's arrival time and to answer any questions.
- ◆ We require a minimum of four (4) persons for load in/out and two (2) professional technicians, one (1) for lighting and one (1) for sound.
- ◆ Stage area, loading doors and dressing rooms need to be cleared prior to casts arrival to allow for set up immediately upon arrival.
- ◆ Stage should be swept.
- ◆ Stair access from the stage to the house is needed.
- ◆ Set-up: Four (4) hours plus half hour house.

For international bookings (shows outside North America) If you are the first show on an international tour that requires the Company to use air transport, we require a seven (7) hour load in.

- ◆ Strike: three (3) hours. A thirty (30) minute cool-down period may be required (at the discretion of the Lightwire Theater stage manager) to prevent performer injuries. All Lightwire Theater props, set pieces and costumes are not to be handled without the express direction of the Lightwire Theater's stage manager or a cast member due to their fragility.

STAGING / PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS:

- ◆ Required minimum dimensions of stage forty (40) feet wide x thirty (30) feet deep x twenty-five (25) feet high. These dimensions refer to an unimpeded space, free of hanging lights, electrical wires, or heating ducts, etc. Stage access from the audience; stairs on the side or middle, if possible, for performers to use during the show.

A darkened auditorium is necessary. Please check for dark before Company arrives. All backstage lights must be off. Any light leaks from doors, skylights, LEDs etc., must be masked. The darker the theater, the better the show. A black (smooth) stage floor is required. A black dance marley is preferred (if available) to be laid before Company arrives.

- ◆ Masking: Legs and borders, ballet hung, must all be black. A blackout backdrop or traveler with a minimum crossover of ten (10) feet is required. If stage depth permits, a fifteen (15) foot crossover is ideal as long as there is at least twenty-five (25) feet of performance space remaining. There must be room for a twenty (20) foot rack that holds all puppets. Ideally, this is placed in the fifteen (15) foot crossover behind the black backdrop but can work on Stage Right or Stage Left if depth of stage is not adequate. Fifteen (15) feet of cleared wing space is required to house the rack if it is Stage Right or Stage Left.
- ◆ The company will hang two elements from the overhead pipe system. Each hung on separate pipes. Both elements will remain static during the show.
- ◆ 1 – A Christmas Tree (30Lbs)
- ◆ 2 – A garland (5Lbs)
- ◆ The main Drape will need to be opened and closed for the performance.
- ◆ Four prop tables (6' or 8') are required and the use of 4, 25+LB sandbags or stage weights.

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If your venue doesn't meet our staging specifications, please contact Ian Carney at 504-669-3580.

ELECTRICAL / LIGHTING:

- ◆ The Company requests the venue have a general lighting wash available for the curtain call.
- ◆ One (1) downstage center special thirteen (13) foot diameter for bows.
- ◆ The Company requires the service of one (1) professional lighting technician to operate the venues lighting system.
- ◆ Ambient light for backstage costume changes. The Company may use available red gelled lights from the theaters most upstage electric, focused down.
- ◆ The company requires one standard 3 prong Edison downstage center to power our video projector (place on deck down center).

Laser Units: The company will bring a laser unit to hang in a center front of house position to project on to the stage to create atmosphere. Non dimmable power (3 prong Edison's) is needed to power the laser which is controlled from backstage via wireless DMX. The company will provide C clamps and a safety to hang the laser. If hanging the laser from a pipe is not possible a projector shelf or flat surface in the sound, lighting or follow spot booths will work. The company also carries a tri pod with boom for additional hanging options.

STROBING EFFECTS- Though we do not use strobe lighting we do use camera flashes and lights that blink. It is recommended that the audience be made aware of such lights.

SOUND:

- ◆ It is important that all sound be set up and operational before the Company arrives.
- ◆ The Company will use the house sound system and requires the service of one (1) professional sound technician to operate the venues sound. We have the soundtrack on a thumb drive in .wav format and have an iPod as well as two CDs. The sound technician needs to be able to run primary and back up sources in tandem for instantaneous switch to the secondary source if there is a problem with the primary source during the show.
- ◆ Speakers: The playback will be run through the front of house speakers. One (1) monitor should be placed in each downstage corner.
- ◆ The cast will need access to a microphone for any Q & A sessions (if applicable).

VIDEO & PHOTOGRAPHY:

- ◆ A video element will take place in Act One. A video screen and a projector will be brought by the Company. The screen is on castors and does not need to be hung. Power is needed downstage center for the projector.
- ◆ **Absolutely no photography**, with or without flash, is permitted during the performance. Presenter may **NOT** video the performance without the written permission from Lightwire Theater.
- ◆ Cameras and video cameras are prohibited during the performance.
- ◆ Lightwire Theater reserves the right to film each performance solely for archival purposes and will provide its own video camera.

HOSPITALITY REQUIREMENTS:

- ◆ Presenter agrees to provide up to six (6) hotel rooms, or number of accommodations per Contract, three (3) star or better hotel within a ten (10) minute drive from the venue or an equivalent hotel buyout (Lightwire Theater will specify which types of rooms are required, i.e.: single vs. double). Initials _____
- ◆ Three (3) dressing rooms are required for eight (6) people. The rooms should have chairs and tables.
- ◆ They should be clean, lockable and ready for the Company upon arrival and for up to ninety (90) minutes after the last show. A room for tech repairs is needed – a green room will be fine.
- ◆ Variety of cold juices or water available upon arrival and throughout the duration of the show.
- ◆ Presenter agrees to provide a lunch for up to six (6) people when the company is performing before 4:00 PM.
- ◆ Presenter agrees to provide dinner for up to nine (6) people when the Company is performing after 4:00 PM. Should Company request vegetarian options, Presenter agrees to supply appropriate vegetarian meals.

- ◆ Laundry facilities (for the use of laundering costumes) must be available at either the theater or the hotel. If such facilities are not available, the presenter is responsible for laundering costumes at the end of each show day.

IMPORTANT:

- ◆ In the interest of safety, we would appreciate having the audience away from the performance and working area once the show is underway, as our equipment and set pieces are fragile. However, supervised visitors approved by the Lightwire Theater stage manager are most welcome at the close of the show.

We can be reached by telephone 504-669-3580 or by email ianel@lightwiretheater.com.

AGREED TO BY:

Presenting Organization: _____

Presenter's Signature: _____

Date: _____

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