# Treehouse Shakers: Let's Talk About IT!

**PLEASE NOTE:** THIS TECHNICAL RIDER IS PART AND PARCEL OF THE CONTRACT. SPECIFIC APPLICATION OF THIS RIDER IS DEPENDENT ON NEGOTIATED PROGRAM AND RESIDENCY ACTIVITIES. WHEN MAKING SPECIAL EQUIPMENT ARRANGEMENTS, CONTACT THE COMPANY FOR SPECIFIC PROGRAM INFORMATION.

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Date(s) of Performances:	

#### 1. <u>STAGE REQUIREMENTS</u>:

**A)** *Minimum Physical Dimensions*: Performance Area: 30 foot width X 30 foot depth X 19 feet height to grid.

**B**) *Stage Surface*: The floor must be a sprung wooden floor (not wood laid over concrete or cement) The floor must be smooth, level and even. All holes, cracks, and like imperfections must be filled and stopped with wood or cork. A BLACK (not gray) MODERN DANCE FLOOR (free from ballet rosin), WHICH COVERS at least 30' width X 30' depth, IS REQUIRED AND MUST BE PROVIDED BY THE PRESENTER. The covering must be black marley or an equivalent. Lanes SL/SR.

C) *Stage area*: Two wings on each side of the stage are required. In addition the area must be cleared, and cleaned to provide for a safe running crossover (considering the dancers will be barefoot). The floor must be thoroughly swept and damp-mopped by stage employees immediately prior to rehearsals, performances, and, at the discretion of the Company Production Director.

#### 2. DRESSING AND MASKING:

The Sponsor/Theatre must provide a sufficient number of line sets, battens, pipes, and/or hanging positions for:

- A) 2 separate line sets to hang a video projector and screen.
- **B**) Ideally the electrics trim at 22' 25' to the pipe.

## 3. <u>HEATING</u>:

The stage area and dressing rooms must be heated to a MINIMUM of 74 degrees F (optimum temperature: 75-78 degrees F) and are to be draft-free at all times (including warm-up periods, rehearsals, classes, and performances) that dancers are in the space. If any of the above areas cannot be sufficiently heated, space heaters must be provided.

#### 4. DRESSING ROOMS:

- A) Each dressing room requires at least one rack for hanging costumes and sufficient lighting, tables, chairs and mirrors.
- **B**) Enough rooms to accommodate a company of 6, [5 women and 1 man], and 1 Room for Company Production Staff.
- C) The dressing rooms must be separate and apart from the public's view, and adjacent to the stage.
- **D**) Dressing rooms must be available at all times that the company is in the building, and must be heated, at that time, in accordance with the heating specifications listed in Section #3.
- E) Rest room and shower facilities must be in an area separate and apart from public viewing and use, preferably backstage, near the dressing rooms.

#### 5. HOSPITALITY:

The Presenter must provide a Hospitality Package for each day of performances and for each Performance/Residency/Rehearsal activity including: ice for injuries, bottled water, vegetarian and meat sandwiches, coffee, and tea for 7 people.

## **OBLIGATIONS OF THE PRESENTER PRIOR TO THE COMPANY'S ARRIVAL**

## 6. TECHNICAL INFORMATION:

No later than six weeks prior to the arrival of the Company (preferably earlier), the Presenter shall provide the following information about the theater venue: in-house softgoods, lighting, and sound equipment inventories, a lineset schedule, a scaled floor plan drawing of the stage, including dimensions, and if available, a circuiting diagram, a patch panel diagram, and a lighting board diagram indicating the number of working and/or nonworking Control Channels and Dimmers, as well as the capacity of each dimmer. A complete and accurate fly or batten plan must be included with the scaled floor plan.

- A) A single white 4:3 front-projection screen (approximately 6'x8') shall be provided and rigged USR 8'-0" above the deck.
- **B)** A digital projector with 4:3 output shall be provided to display video content on the projection screen. Projector must be rigged or mounted in a position to completely and evenly fill screen with adequate brightness. Presenter to provide remotely operable douser for projector.
- C) Video content source will be a standard definition DVD disc (with stereo audio). A DVD player shall be provided with all necessary video and audio outputs. DVD player to be operated remotely from stage manager's calling position or by crew member.
- **D**) Six elastic strings will be tied to the center of the most upstage lineset (within acting area). Pipe must be stiffened and/or tied back to allow performers to pull on elastic strings towards downstage.

E) A 12'w x 8'h (minimum) reinforced wall – or joined black flats – shall be provided SL for a dance number within the show. Wall must be able to withstand moderate force from dancers leaning and dancing against the surface.

## 7. <u>PERSONNEL REQUIREMENTS</u>:

- A) The following personnel must be available for running performances (minimum):
  (1) Lighting Board Operator/Lighting Designer
  - (1) Sound Board Operator
- **B**) Load-in and Load-out crew requirements are dependent upon <u>venue</u> specifics as related to Set-up, Change-overs, and adaptations. Please add at least: (1) Electricians, and (1) Sound technician for load-in, load-out, and changeovers. Sufficient crew must be available at load-in and changeovers for operation of all required genie lifts, ladders or scaffolding.
- C) Lighting and soundboard operators must be proficient with the equipment they are running.
- D) Crew personnel running technical rehearsals must be the same crew personnel who will then run the performances.

## 8. WARDROBE:

The Sponsor/Theatre must provide:

- A) (1) Steamer for scenic drops and costumes
- **B**) (1) Room suitable for use as a wardrobe prep area.
- C) (2) Steam Irons and Ironing Boards.

## 9. SOUND REQUIREMENTS:

- A) The theater must have a professional quality sound system capable of providing playback on CD.
- B) The mixing console must be able to support one monitor send to onstage speakers for the dancers, and main sends to FOH speakers. It must also support the stereo inputs (L/R) for the requested playback formats.
- C) Loudspeakers: The FOH sound system must be capable of producing low distortion, full bandwidth response and cover the entire audience area. There must be four (4) monitors for even onstage coverage.
- D) Sufficient amplifiers to drive all speakers and EQ for all amplifiers.
- E) (6) Wireless Lav Vocal microphones to be worn on the performers ears.
- F) Provide one stereo input for playback from DVD video content.
- G) An intercom system (preferably Clear-Com type), with (3) stations: (1) lighting control board, (1) sound control board, and (1) for company Stage Manager.

## 10. LIGHTING REQUIREMENTS:

Lighting equipment varies according to the particular venue. Please verify equipment needs with the company, prior to the rental of any stage equipment, which is not part of the standard inventory of the Theatre. The company will contact the production staff to determine specific lighting possibilities. Venue must provide copy of House/Repertory Light Plot (where applicable), Inventory and Hookup no later than three (3) weeks prior to

engagement; venue must inform Company at this time of any alterations or deviations from provided Light Plot or as-hung drawings for day of load-in.

#### 11. PROPOSED PRODUCTION SCHEDULE

**PLEASE NOTE:** This schedule is based on the fact that the lighting plot will be prehung, circuited, and focused, and the marley dance floor will be laid, PRIOR TO the arrival of the company's Production Director and the Company load-in.

#### **TECHNICAL LOAD-IN and DRESS REHEARSAL DAY - Example**

10am - 1pm	Write lighting cues with dancers on stage, set sound levels
1 - 2pm	Crew lunch break
2 - 4pm	Dress rehearsal with lighting and sound.
4pm - 4:15pm	Crew break
4:15pm - 6pm	Tech notes if needed.
6pm	Close out theater.

#### **PERFORMANCE DAY - Example**

9am	Stage available for dancers warm-up
11am	Curtain

## <u>Or</u>

#### FOR ONE DAY LOAD IN AND PERFORMANCE - Example

3 hours before curtain:

Stage available for dancers warm-up Hang set Write lighting cues with dancers on stage Set sound levels

If there are any problems with the above, please notify the Company as soon as possible to allow for any adjustments or clarifications.

Any questions regarding this technical rider, please contact: Emily Bunning 917-749-2909 ebunning@earthlink.net <u> Treehouse Shakers – Let's Talk About IT!</u>

TECHNICAL RIDER TO CONTRACT 2010-2011 Date Contract sent:

# AGREED AND ACCEPTED:

For Presenter: By: Date

For Treehouse Shakers By: Date