# CARRIAGEWORKS THEATRE Group Bookings Information Pack

#### Introduction

This guide provides information on the Carriageworks Theatre for the organisers of group bookings for theatre performances. Our aim is to make your visit a safe, comfortable, and enjoyable one.

If you require any further information after reading the guide, please do not hesitate to contact us on **0113 378 7132** or email <u>carriageworks@leeds.gov.uk</u>.

#### Location

The main entrance to the theatre is situated on Millennium Square within The Electric Press. You will find our ticket office, Leeds Ticket Hub, here on the ground floor.

Please arrive to the Carriageworks Theatre at least 30 minutes before your scheduled performance time.

Carriageworks Theatre The Electric Press 3 Millennium Square Leeds LS2 3AD





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#### **Parking**

**Portland Crescent Car Park** pay and display short stay. Located off Portland Crescent near Leeds Civic Hall, Portland Crescent. Open all day with a maximum stay of 5 hours before 6pm.

The Light Multi Story Car Park long stay open 24 hours, 7 days a week. Located via Dudley Way off Great George Street on the Leeds City Loop.

**St. John's Shopping Centre Multi Story Car Park** long stay. Open 24 hours, 7 days a week. Located off Merrion Street on the Leeds City Loop.

Woodhouse Lane Multi Story Car Park Open 24 hours, 7 days a week. Located opposite Leeds Metropolitan University, with access from the inner ring road.

# **Drop Off**

The loading bay on Great George Street can be used as a drop off / pick up area for coaches. Coach parking can be found on Wade Lane / Lovell Park Road.

Due to on-going city centre roadworks, we recommend keeping up to date with the alternative routes page.

**Alternative Routes** 





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#### Access to the Theatre from George Street



#### Access to the Theatre from Millennium Square







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## **Rail Links**

Leeds Train Station is ten minutes' walk from the Carriageworks Theatre and Millennium Square.

# **Bus Links**

Several bus routes pass through the city centre. For bus services and timetable information please contact West Yorkshire Metro: 0113 245 7676 or visit the website for West Yorkshire Travel Information: <u>www.wymetro.co.uk</u>

#### **Theatre Layout**

The theatre is situated over four floors. Please familiarise yourself with the location of emergency exits on arrival.

Leeds Ticket Hub is on the ground floor as you enter the Electric Press building from Millennium Square.

The Main Auditorium can be entered at levels 1, 2, or 3. Your tickets will indicate the level at which you should enter the auditorium.

Our Studio theatre is situated on the fourth level.

There are accessible toilets at every level of the theatre. The main facilities are on level 2.





#### **Building Insurance**

Leeds City Council maintains Public Liability Insurance, Insured by Zurich Municipal policy number QLA-03G036-0353.

## **Building Systems**

There are comprehensive maintenance and testing regimes for fire alarm systems, disabled toilet alarms, fire extinguishers and all mechanical and electrical systems within the building. Fire exits and corridors are checked daily.

## **Building Supervision and Staffing**

A duty manager is present whenever the building is open to the public. There is also CCTV for your safety.

Stewarding will be provided at the ratio of at least one steward per 250 patrons, increasing to at least one steward per 100 patrons where the audience consists of young persons or other patrons with high support needs. Stewards have had appropriate training in evacuation procedures.

Please let us know if anyone in your group has any other requirements not covered in this information pack.



#### **Child Protection**

All Carriageworks Theatre staff receive training on child protection. If you have any concerns during your visit, please inform the duty manager at once.

### **Emergency Evacuation**

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In the case of an evacuation, the alarm will sound; **this is a loud two-tone siren, accompanied by flashing red lights.** In the main auditorium during a show an announcement will be made asking patrons to vacate the building. Your party should leave by the nearest available exit. Exits are clearly marked with the green 'running man' sign.

The assembly point is at the top end of Millennium Square adjacent to the Leeds City Museum. Theatre staff will assist in evacuating the building, but it is your responsibility to keep your group together and carry out a head count once clear of the building. If you have lost any member of your party please inform the duty manager.

You must not re-enter the building until given clearance to do so by the duty manager.





#### **Special Requirements**

If your party has visitors with disabilities or needing other assistance, please inform us at the time of booking. If necessary, we may need to meet before your visit to ensure that appropriate safety measures are in place and to draw up an evacuation plan tailored to your specific needs. Although our staff are fully trained, it is essential that you provide appropriate companions for persons with high support needs.

#### **Disabled Evacuation Lift**

In the event of an evacuation, patrons who are unable to use the stairs can use our lift which has a specially protected power supply. There are refuge points on each level which are clearly marked. There is an intercom on the wall by the lift where you can ask for assistance from a member of staff. There are also evacuation chairs available on each level. These will be operated by a trained member of staff.

#### Induction Loops

We have infra-red hearing units in the Main Auditorium and in the Carriageworks studio space. Please ask for neck loops at Leeds Ticket hub located on Level 0 (the Millennium Square entrance).

#### **Toilet Facilities**

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We have wheelchair accessible toilets on every level.



#### Wheelchair Spaces in the Auditorium

Please indicate when booking if you need level access or if any of your group wishes to remain in their wheelchair. This enables us to ensure that we provide you with the best possible service. Our designated wheelchair spaces are on level 1.

#### **Theatrical Effects**

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We will display advisory notices where smoke or strobe lighting effects will be used during a performance. Please ask for details at the time of booking if this is likely to be a concern for anyone in your party.



