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THE PLAYHOUSE

The award winning Playhouse is one of Northern Ireland's best loved Arts Centres, providing hundreds of theatre, conference and arts education events for over 50,000 people every year.

If you're organising a conference, meeting, team building event, launch, wedding or anything else, then why not consider hiring this unique venue. Housed in two beautiful B1 listed historic buildings and refurbished at a cost of £4.6m, The Playhouse is situated right in the heart of Derry's Historic Walled City.

We are located just 2 minutes' walk from Foyleside Shopping Centre with easy access to city centre parking.

We've hosted conferences for:

BBC • British Council • Business in the Community • Houses of Parliament Princes Trust • Arts Council of Northern Ireland • Bank of Ireland • British Film Institute • Ulster Bank • Derry City Council • Arts & Business • Department of Environment • Celtic Media Festival • The Ireland Funds • CultureTech University of Ulster • Irish FA • Special EU Programmes Body

“What a fabulous team you have ... Your organisation and attention to detail went a long way to making our event a complete success... our needs were met; even last minute requests were met with smiles and reassurance”

Education Service, Houses of Parliament

FACILITIES

PHYSICAL SPACES

- Unique historic buildings of real character, with flexible, multi use spaces
- 175 seat Theatre (including cinema projection & screen)
- Dance Studio with beautiful panoramic views of the city
- Gallery Space looking out onto Derry's famous historic City Walls
- Various large and small breakout rooms
- Changing Rooms & showers
- Passenger and Goods Lifts & full disabled access

EQUIPMENT

- State of the art sound and lighting systems
- WIFI, ISDN & BT Conferencing facilities
- Large mobile interactive board / screen, projectors, screens (including full size automated cinema screens), lecterns, flipcharts
- Microphones / roving microphones
- Portable staging, tables & chairs
- Infra-red hearing system
- Air-conditioning

STAFF & SERVICES

- Marketing support and event ticketing / registration
- Technical & front of house staff
- Approved third party caterers

CAR PARKING

- Parking is available just 2 minutes' walk away in Foyleside Shopping Centre



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CONTRIBUTION TO
ARTS & CULTURE**

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HIRE US

- **THEATRE EVENTS:** Whether you are a professional theatre company, an amateur drama group, a nursery, school, band or community group, you can hire our theatre to present your work in a fully equipped, professional, intimate theatre.
- **CONFERENCES, MEETINGS & WORKSHOPS:** The Playhouse is a flexible, multi use building with a range of spaces that can be tailored to the requirements of your event. Whether you want to hire the whole building for several days, or just one room for an afternoon, we can provide the space, technical support, catering and marketing assistance to ensure your event is a resounding success.
- **WEDDINGS & FUN DAYS:** If you are getting married, celebrating a birthday, an anniversary or christening, why not choose somewhere unexpected & different. With a wide range of external catering, and flexible performance spaces, The Playhouse can help make your celebration a day to remember.
- **TEAMBUILDING EVENTS:** Our team of professional arts facilitators can work with you and your staff to understand and meet your needs. We use our dynamic arts techniques to take you out of your daily routines, and get you thinking, moving and behaving in different ways, while improving creativity, communication, motivation, team work and much more...

“Congratulations on the event, it ticked all the boxes for us, it was fun, had a great team building element, and it challenged the staff by taking them out of their comfort zone.”

Business In The Community

ROOM SUMMARY

ROOM	CAPACITY	FLOOR SPACE	TECHNICAL DETAILS
THEATRE (raked seating)	175 Seated	6m x 3m stage size	Daylight or theatre lighting, PA, Cinema Projection
THEATRE (flat floor)	150 Seated theatre style 100 Seated banqueting style	18m x 8.5m	Daylight or theatre lighting, PA, Cinema Projection
GALLERY	150 Seated theatre style 90 Seated banqueting style 180 Standing	16.5m x 8.5m	Daylight or gallery lighting
PLAZA	40 Seated 100 Standing	10m x 8m	Suitable for catering & exhibitions
DANCE STUDIO	150 Seated theatre style 90 Seated banqueting style 180 Standing	16.5m x 8.5m	Sprung floor, lighting & sound, ballet bars & mirrors
ACTORS STUDIO	40 Seated 60 Standing	7.5m x 5m	Great space for meetings
ART ROOM	18 Seated	5.5m x 8.5m	Suitable for messy arts work

“Thanks again for all your help...the staff were incredibly helpful over the weekend, helping out with any problems we had! So a big thank you to all the team.” **BBC**



THEATRE

The Playhouse Theatre has hosted hundreds of performances over the years, from Field Day Theatre Company to comedian Dara Ó Briain, as well as events such as Bank of Ireland's Enterprise Week and BBC Radio 4's Any Questions?

SPECIFICATIONS

ROOM SIZE

22m x 8.5m

ROOM DESCRIPTION

The Theatre can be configured as:

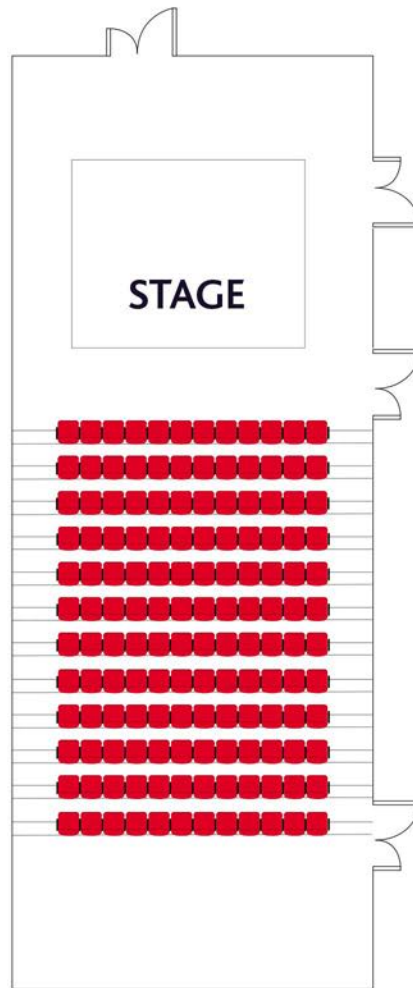
- 175 raked seats that look down onto a stage area of 6m x 3m
- Seating retracted, giving a flat floor area of 18m x 8.5m
- Loose seating up to 150 is available

TECHNICAL DETAILS

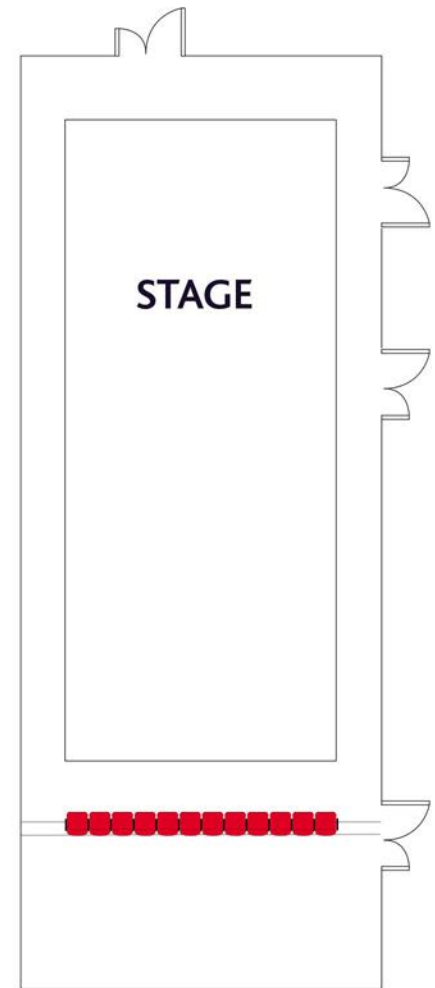
- Full Theatre Lighting & Sound Equipment
- Cinema Screen & Projection
- Portable Staging, Tables & Chairs
- Black Out Blinds or Day Lighting
- Backstage, Changing & Shower Facilities
- Technical staff

ACCESS

The Theatre is on the second floor
Access is by a normal passenger lift,
or a large 26 person / 2000kg lift



THEATRE WITH 175 RAKED SEATING



THEATRE WITH RETRACTED SEATING



GALLERY

Our “white box” Gallery looks out onto Derry’s famous historic City Walls, and has been used for numerous exhibitions, as well as theatre performances, launches, seminars and other events. It was even transformed into a huge temporary computer suite for Minecraft gaming fans!

SPECIFICATIONS

ROOM SIZE

16.5m x 8.5m

ROOM DESCRIPTION

The Theatre can be configured as:

- White walled gallery space
- Flat floor area with tables & loose seating for up to 150

TECHNICAL DETAILS

- Portable Staging, Seating & Light / Sound Equipment can be provided
- Black Out Blinds or Day Lighting
- Technical staff

ACCESS

The Gallery is on the ground floor





“On behalf of the Belfast Media Festival Committee, I just wanted to thank you and your team... The Festival was a great success and the venue lent itself well to the Festival.” **Belfast Media Festival**

PLAZA

Situated in the heart of The Playhouse, our Plaza is a perfect area for bringing everyone together. For conferences with large numbers of delegates, the Plaza works together with our Gallery space to provide a substantial area for hospitality, catering and networking.

SPECIFICATIONS

ROOM SIZE

10m x 8m

ROOM DESCRIPTION

- Flat floor area suitable for Catering, Exhibitions or Presentations
- Standing room for around 150 people
- Theatre: 60

TECHNICAL DETAILS

- Portable Staging, Seating & Light / Sound Equipment can be provided
- Technical staff

ACCESS

The Plaza is on the ground floor





“Thank you very much for all your hard work and the extreme professionalism that The Playhouse demonstrated. The feedback has been excellent. We all thoroughly enjoyed the day.”

Business In The Community

DANCE STUDIO

With top floor, beautiful panoramic views of the city, our Dance Studio is a room with a considerable wow factor which has hosted everything from Irish Dance classes to keynote, televised lectures by The British Council.

SPECIFICATIONS

ROOM SIZE

16.5m x 8.5m

ROOM DESCRIPTION

Room suitable for movement workshops
Loose seating for up to 150 is available

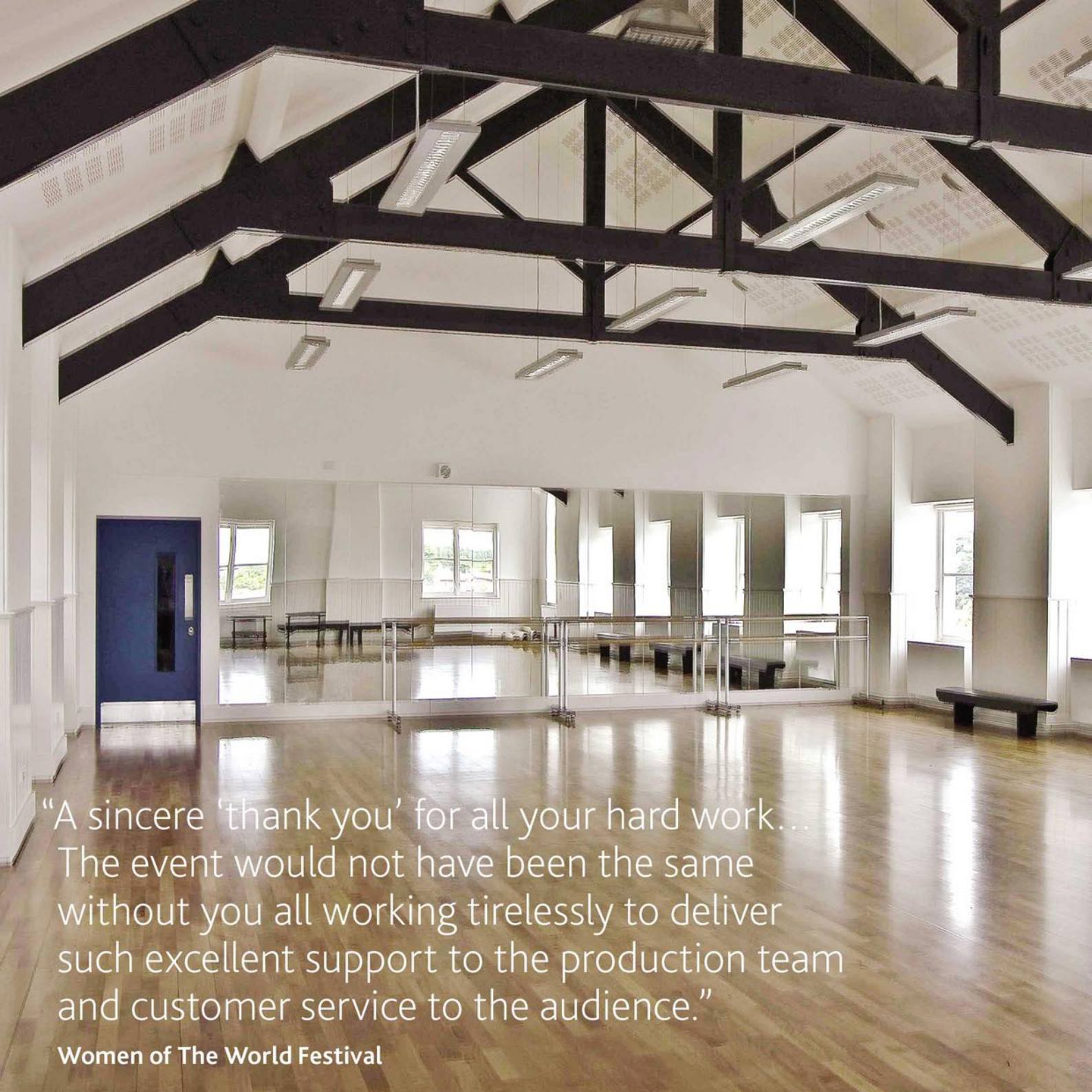
TECHNICAL DETAILS

- Sprung wooden dance floor, ballet bars & Mirrors
- Changing rooms & shower
- Lighting, sound and projection equipment
- Black out blinds or day lighting
- Technical staff

ACCESS

The Dance Studio is on the fourth floor
Access is by a normal passenger lift, or a large 26 person / 2000kg lift





“A sincere ‘thank you’ for all your hard work...
The event would not have been the same
without you all working tirelessly to deliver
such excellent support to the production team
and customer service to the audience.”

Women of The World Festival

ACTORS STUDIO AND ART ROOM

The Actors Studio is a small room suitable for meetings, small workshops or rehearsals, while the Art Room is suitable for meetings or painting and other visual art workshops.

SPECIFICATIONS

ACTORS STUDIO

ROOM SIZE

7.5m x 5m

ROOM DESCRIPTION

Ideal for meetings or small scale rehearsals. Loose seating for up to 40 is available

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Portable staging, seating & light / sound equipment can be provided

ACCESS

The Actors Studio is on the fourth floor. Access is by a passenger lift, or a large 26 person / 2000kg lift

ART ROOM

ROOM SIZE

5.5m x 8.5m

ROOM DESCRIPTION

Worktables and chairs with seating for approximately 20 people

TECHNICAL DETAILS

The room is suitable for visual arts workshops of a messy nature, painting, clay work etc. There are two sinks

ACCESS

The Art Room is on the fourth floor. Access is by a normal passenger lift, or a large 26 person / 2000kg lift





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It's really easy to find The Playhouse. We are in the heart of the historic Walled City. We are a 2 minute walk from Foyleside Shopping Centre, on Artillery Street.



DISTANCE FROM AIRPORTS / BUS STATION

- City of Derry Airport: 9 miles
- Belfast International Airport: 58 miles
- Belfast City Airport: 73 miles
- Dublin Airport: 142 miles
- Foyle Street Bus Station: 5 minute walk
- Derry Train Station: 1 mile / 15 minute walk

CAR PARKING

We are 2 minute walk from the Foyleside Shopping Centre, which includes the city's largest car park. There is also limited 1 hour parking directly outside the building, as well as Bishop Street Car Park, which is a 2 minute walk from The Playhouse. Foyleside Car Park details are here: <http://foyleside.co.uk/visit/facilities>

ACCESS

Winner of the William McKeown Prestige Access Award 2010, The Playhouse has full disabled access and an infra-red hearing system is installed in our theatre.



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“The Playhouse is an amazing space and it was perfect for our launch. You had looked after every possible detail for us and it is very much appreciated.”

Arts Council of Northern Ireland