

SWAN LAKE TECHNICAL AND HOSPITALITY RIDER

Crew

Our current estimated crew requirements are:

- 6 Crew for load-in and set up (may change for larger venues)
- 1 Wardrobe crew for laundry, steaming and minor costume repairs
- 5 Running Crew: lighting, sound, 2 stage hands, 1 fly person
- 6 Crew for strike (tear down and reload into trucks)

Please Note: Crew size may change depending on the size of the theatre.
Crew for rehearsals and successive performances **must** be the same people.

The basic schedule for Canada's Ballet Jörgen while on tour is as follows:

- 6:00p.m. - Load in the night prior (5 hrs) Unload trucks, assemble set, lighting focus & lay dance floor.
- 8:00a.m. - Tech time (cont. LX focus, levels)
- 1:30p.m.- Company Class onstage (crew not required)
- 2:30p.m. - Crew Back
- 2:30p.m. - Dancers Spacing, Cueing Continues
- 6:00p.m. - Dinner Break, Sound Check
- 7:00p.m. - Crew Show Call - sweep, mop, preset
- 7:30p.m. - House Opens, Company Call
- 8:00p.m. - **Curtain**
20 min. Intermission
- 10:20p.m. - Company Reception if requested
- 10:20p.m. - Strike and Load out
- 1:00a.m. - End day

Note:

- This schedule will change.
- The theatre will never go dark during a working day. Crew schedules must reflect the fact that the dancers will be on stage during crew breaks and meals. For this reason the crew will have staggered breaks and meal times. The theatre will be used constantly by the company.
- If there are two performances on one day, loading in at 8am the day prior to the performance day is **essential**.

Staging and Set

Preferred 40' opening X 35' deep or larger, plus crossover and wing space
Minimum 27' X 25' (This must be confirmed by the company).

We will need a 10' ladder for our set up. Ladders necessary for the set up and focus should be backstage for our use prior to our arrival.

Crew should bring or have access to several c-wrenches.

We will need 2 prop tables (6' or 8') backstage, one in each wing.

Canada's Ballet Jörgen will be bringing:

- Rolling gate unit - 8' 10" wide X 12' 3" high - top section 2' 6" high can be removable if necessary. If a chain fall or hoist is available we will use it to lift the 2 top sections into place (each section weighs 200 lbs maximum). If not, will use our block and tackle. Please advise us in advance if there is no point available to do this lift. If that is the case we will need a 2nd 10' ladder.
- 6 rolling truck units with flats - 11' 3" max height and/or 14' max height
- 1 feather drop midstage centre. CBJ will provide the trip mechanism.
- Assorted props & furniture

The set has been designed so that it will fit into smaller venues with not a great deal of height as well as larger venues. **We will need a minimum clearance of 11' 3" however.** On smaller stages some of the rolling truck units will not be used.

A floor plan and section to scale will be needed so please forward us a copy **as soon as soon possible.**

Draperies

The Company requires:

- House Curtain (will travel main curtain for opening of show). Should your main curtain not travel pls advise us as soon as possible so we can make alternate plans.
- Four to six sets of black legs and borders preset for the best masking of back stage
- Cyclorama

A fly plot to scale (or paperwork with distances between pipes indicated) will be needed with any permanent line sets (electrics, etc.) and the masking documented. **Please forward this with the floor plan and section.**

Audio

The company requires:

- One CD deck or mini disk player. The company will provide a mini disk player for playback to be hooked up to the theatre's sound system. The theatre's CD deck or mini disk player will be used for backup.
- One microphone backstage for pre-show announcement.
- Adequate speakers and amplification for the theatre.
- Stage monitors.
- Clear Com set up with five headsets (SM will call the performance from the wings)
- AC power source to plug in a portable sound system on the apron stage right for class & spacing.
- Dressing room paging and performance sound if possible.
- A video monitor backstage with an audience view of the stage (if available)
- A video monitor backstage with a close view of the conductor (Show with orchestra only)

Lighting

The company will provide you with a lighting plot that must be hung and gelled prior to our arrival. Should the theatre have a house or rep lighting plot we will work within this plot making as few changes as possible. **The prehang with these changes should be made prior to our arrival.**

We will be bringing:

- 2 gobo rotators that will require power & a DMX line to the first electrics.
- 2 pars that will use the same DMX line as above.

Should the theatre not have DMX or AC cable we will provide it.

- 2 hanging chandeliers (practical) hung on same lineset - will require 1 twist lock circuit & a twofer on mid-stage to upstage lineset. Pls refer to lighting plot for exact positions. In a fixed grid space one or both of these chandeliers may be not be used.

We will require power for 2 hazers (CBJ's). The exact location will be determined during the set up. Please advise us if using a hazer is not possible in your venue.

Our Lighting Director will be in contact with you to discuss any details and you can ask him/her your lighting questions directly.

Please send the specs for your theatre's lighting system including inventory of

instruments, control specifications, circuit locations and numbers and should a house or rep plot be available a copy of it as well, as soon as possible. And please update us of any changes.

Followspots will not be used.

Floor

The company travels with its own light blue vinyl dance floor. Your floor must be constructed of wood and must be resilient. If you question the resilience of your stage floor please contact our Production Manager.

Your stage floor must be safe, flat, smooth, and free of screws, nails, staples or any other protruding objects. The stage can not have any holes, cracks, chipping or have any binding floorboards.

The stage must be cleaned prior to load-in, and there can be no salt or mud on the surface. If the weather outdoors is wet or muddy, the crew must make an effort to keep the stage floor clean and dry during load-in.

Security and Safety

Security and safety of the dancers is of the utmost importance. Access to backstage areas must be limited to the company and the crew from one hour before curtain until one half hour after the performance. These areas include dressing rooms, green room, wings, stage, all connecting hallways, and support areas. If your theatre has no way of restricting access to these areas, personnel must be placed at access points during the times mentioned above.

All guests of the company, presenter and crew must be cleared by the stage manager before entering the stage, green room or dressing rooms. In the case of an emergency, the stage manager must be notified of visitors in the backstage area as soon as possible. All crew and presenters back stage should be easily identifiable as will the dancers and road crew.

The stage, crossover, wings and hallways must be clean and free of obstructions before our arrival. A check of these areas should be made prior to the performances as well. Dancers will be back stage in large costumes and bare feet so please make sure they will be safe from snags or debris on the floor.

The entrance to the stage door and loading dock must be free of snow and ice.

Hospitality

For the dancers and crew members (total of 30 people) the presenter will provide snacks and beverages, such as soft drinks, fruit juices, **bottled water**, hot water for coffee, tea & hot chocolate, fruit (grapes, bananas, apples, oranges, etc.) raw vegetables, cookies and cheese and crackers.

If two performances are scheduled in the same day, a light meal consisting of sandwiches, soups, salads, pasta, local cuisine, etc. should be provided between performances for the cast and crew. Access to a microwave is appreciated. **Pls. Note:** Some of our dancers are vegetarians and we would greatly appreciate vegetarian selections with the food items.

Dressing Rooms

The company requires a minimum of two dressing rooms: one female, one male. Each must have a minimum capacity for 15 people. Each dressing room needs a costume rack and each person must have a chair with counter and mirror space. If possible, the use of four dressing rooms would be appreciated.

Parking

The company requires parking passes and spaces for four mini-vans (as close to the venue as possible), one 34' truck & one 24' cube truck (with access to the theatre's loading dock).

Studios

If studio space is available please have it booked for us. This allows us to move class and some rehearsals out of the theatre giving us more time on stage for lighting and set-up.

Laundry

The company's show laundry will need to be laundered before and/or after the performance by the wardrobe person provided by the theatre. If laundry facilities are not available onsite, the theatre's wardrobe person or a crew person assigned to do wardrobe will need to take the laundry to the nearest public laundry facility.

Lobby

The company will need 3 tables set up before the performance that will remain there throughout the evening for merchandise and display boards. If a member of the house staff could attend the merchandise table it would be appreciated. This table will also be used for autographs after the performance.

Tickets

The company requires a minimum of six pair of complementary tickets, 12 total, for each performance. Additional ticket requirements will be discussed with the presenter in advance of our arrival.

Misc.

If you plan to schedule a reception for the company, and/or television, paper, or radio interviews please inform us as soon as possible.

If you have promotional, program, or PR needs please address them with our Marketing Coordinator through our main office at: phone: (416) 961-4725, fax: (416) 415-2865, or by email: marketing@balletjorgen.ca

Important Information

- Due to the nature of the performance and for the safety of the dancers **it is very important that the temperature of the stage, backstage and dressing rooms be at least 22°C (72°F)**. This temperature needs to be achieved prior to our arrival.
- All wing space and back stage areas must be clear of obstructions and clean for the safety of the dancers.
- Please provide access to a supply of ice and bags for cold compresses.
- We will be recording the performance for archival purposes (static shot of stage). Please send any waivers or forms to us prior to the performance.

Canada`s Ballet Jörgen would be grateful for any local information that you could provide, especially in regards to hotels and restaurants near the theatre and any restaurants opened after the performance.

If you have any further questions or wish to discuss the contents of this rider or the production, please feel free to contact us.

Thank you. We look forward to working with you.

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