



59E59 Theaters is a non-profit theater complex situated Off-Broadway in midtown Manhattan with 3 performance spaces presenting an eclectic program of American and international New York City premieres year-round.




Each spring we curate a 3-month program supporting new British work produced by registered charity, UK-based companies. We typically hire our theaters in 3-5 week slots as part of the BRITS OFF BROADWAY SEASON. Companies are responsible for the staging and costs of the physical production and their company. 59E59 invests heavily in the success of your show by assuming responsibility for all non-production-related matters and costs. Our wonderful staff takes care of venue management, driving your sales, patron engagement, and ensuring you have everything you need during your time with us.

SUBMISSION POLICY

Companies with fully funded projects are encouraged to submit scripts and archival video to the Artistic Director, Val Day val@59e59.org, for consideration. We cannot accept unsolicited submissions from playwrights not affiliated with a producer.

THEATERS

Visiting companies keep 90% of the net box office. No Weekly Hire Fee!

		
THEATER A	THEATER B	THEATER C
185 SEATS	98 SEATS	45 SEATS
PROSCENIUM SEATING	PROSCENIUM SEATING	FLEXIBLE STAGING
4-5 WEEK RUNS	3-4 WEEK RUNS	3-4 WEEK RUNS
\$50 AVG TICKET	\$30 AVG TICKET	\$25 AVG TICKET

BOX OFFICE SPLITS

Visiting companies receive 90% and 59E59 receives 10%

VISAS

59E59 applies for visas for your actors and stage manager (if coming over). Once the visas are approved, you are responsible for making the arrangements for interviews at the U.S. Embassy in London. In 2019, the fee for this was \$190 per person and is paid by you.

FAQs

SHOULD YOU BRING OVER YOUR STAGE MANAGER?

59E59 Theaters is required to employ an American AEA stage manager to work on your show at no expense to you. They cannot program light boards. Ask our TD what US Stage Managers do vs UK Stage Managers- job duties are different here.

Most UK productions can make do without their home SM, or by having them here for a brief training period during technical rehearsals. However, if your SM is integral to your production, please let us know and we will handle the visa application.

WHAT LABOR IS AVAILABLE FOR THE GET IN AND GET

Our Technical Director supervises all 3 venues and you will need one person to function as your tech lead who can authorize unexpected spending and make final decisions.

All additional labor needed for the get-in, tech time, and get-out are at your expense.

SHOULD YOU SHIP SETS, PROPS AND COSTUMES?

Our technical director will work with you to figure out how to best get your show to the US and into the theater. Sometimes it is less expensive to ship production elements and other times it is less expensive to build, rent, or buy locally. The TD will advise your company, get bids and work with the local vendors on your half and will arrange local shipping or transportation as needed.

WHO COVERS THESE COSTS?

The costs of shipping or re-building the set and acquiring props, costumes, or other production elements, are the responsibility of the visiting company.

The cost of labor for get-in, light hang, tech, and get-out of the theaters are your expense. We usually pay these bills on your behalf and recoup the cost from your box office receipts.

WHAT EQUIPMENT IS IN THE THEATERS?

There is no repertory or 'house lighting' or sound plot. No lights are in the grid when you arrive. Get-in, technical, and get-out costs will reflect the installation of your company's requested setup.

Each theater space has a basic inventory of lighting and sound equipment, as well as some soft goods as listed on our website. Many shows do not need to rent extra equipment.

TRAVEL AND HOUSING

You book and pay for travel and housing. Visiting companies often house their artists in short-term rentals in Manhattan, or one of the surrounding boroughs. Accommodation costs have risen and booking sooner is better than later. We may be able to pay for housing in USD and deduct it from your box office, please enquire.

MARKETING, PRESS & TICKETING

59E59 plans, executes, and covers all the costs of the marketing, advertising, and press relations at Our expense. Our in-house team designs and produces all flyers, posters, programs, and promotional materials necessary to market the show.

59E59's professionally trained staff handle: Ticketing, Marketing, Box Office, Front of House, Bartending, and Ushering at no cost to visiting companies.

*** Click for even more detail on budgeting and expenses

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