

## **GENERAL SAFETY REQUIREMENTS – MESA ARTS CENTER THEATERS**

Staff, clients, contract labor and all others working in or entering Mesa Arts Center Facilities shall at all times adhere to all Federal, State and Local Laws, regulations and standards relating to safe working conditions and practices. All work shall be performed in accordance with all applicable OSHA (federal), ADOSH (state), American National Standards Institute (ANSI), National Fire Protections Association (NFPA) standards, local fire regulations, industry recommendation practices and City of Mesa Department and Division safety policies and requirements.

All equipment shall only be operated in accordance with the manufacturers written recommendations.

All informational, caution, warning and hazard signs in the facility and on equipment shall be followed.

If you are bringing **any** chemicals into the theaters or onto City of Mesa property, (including, but not limited to fog or haze fluid, spray or other kinds of paint, costume dyes, etc) you must supply the Technical Director with the Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) in advance of the load-in.

Use of any open flame, pyrotechnics or similar effects requires a permit from the Mesa Fire Department. This permit must be applied for no later than 2 weeks before the event. Pyrotechnic effects require an operator licensed by the City of Mesa and the State of Arizona. Licenses issued by other jurisdictions are not acceptable.

Blocking of fire exits, egress routes, fire extinguisher cabinets, fire alarm panels or fire department access boxes is not permitted at any time.

All interior doors of the facility are considered fire doors and may not be blocked open at any time.

Obstruction of the theater fire safety curtains is not permitted at any time.

Fall Protection must be worn when loading weights in the Ikeda and Piper theaters and when focusing lighting instruments on the balcony rail and box boom positions. Suitable fall protection shall be used whenever a fall hazard exists.

### Personnel (Genie) Lifts:

- Personnel lifts shall only be operated in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.
- Personnel lifts shall only be operated by authorized, trained and qualified personnel.
- Personnel lifts shall not be operated without the outriggers installed in accordance with manufacturer's requirements.
- Personnel lifts are not to be moved with personnel in the raised basket.

### Platform (Scissor) Lifts:

- Scissor lifts shall only be operated in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.
- Scissor lifts shall only be operated by City of Mesa or City-contracted employees.
- If the existing lift fall protection system is not operable (i.e. guardrails and entrance closures) all personnel in the platform shall wear approved safety harnesses with the lanyard attached to the platform attachment point or when required by OSHA 29 CFR 1910.67 or by manufacturer recommendations. Attachment to guardrails is not permitted.

**NOTE:** All City of Mesa equipment shall be operated only by persons authorized to do so by City of Mesa employees.

For a complete list of the MAC safety procedures, please see the PRODUCTION SAFETY HAZARDS AND SAFE WORKING PRACTICES document available from the MAC. If you have questions, contact the Mesa Arts Center Theater Technical Director.