

CIVIC OPERA HOUSE

EVENT BROCHURE

THE HISTORY

The Civic Opera House, home to Lyric Opera of Chicago, is one of Chicago's historic landmarks and among the world's most beautiful buildings. Built in 1929 and fully restored in 1996, the Civic Opera House is a hybrid of art nouveau and art deco designs, a majestic setting for entertaining on any scale. The 3,563-seat Ardis Krainik Theatre is the second-largest opera auditorium in North America and offers the largest stage in downtown Chicago. Excellent sightlines, premium acoustics, and intricate architectural detailing make for a fantastic and unique venue. The theatre, spacious back-of-house, lobby, grand foyer, and four private dining rooms are available to rent for public ticketed and private events. Support the arts by planning your next event in one of the finest venues in the world!



ARDIS KRAINIK THEATRE



The Ardis Krainik Theatre seats up to 3,700 and is available for concerts, graduations, presentations, conferences, productions and more. The stage is also the perfect setting for private dinners, galas and standing receptions.

Experience the possibilities at the opera. Amaze your attendees with a performance by flourishing opera singers and watch the backdrop rise to reveal your banquet onstage. The spacious back-of-house area allows wait staff to provide world-class service from just behind the curtain, and our professional staff will run the show, allowing you to focus on the success of your event. Show your creativity with state-of-the-art in-house lighting, sound, and scenery. Amenities include open orchestra pit, wide wing space, house lighting and sound equipment, platforms, drops, cyclorama, back-of-house with private and group dressing rooms, production offices, and two docks with interior vehicle access.

Banquet capacity: 350 on-stage as is. Scalable build-outs accommodating anywhere between 500 - 1100

Theatre style capacity: 448 on-stage

Total theatre seating capacity: 3563; 3704 with pit build-out at house level

DANIEL F. AND ADA L. RICE GRAND FOYER

The beautiful theatre lobby accommodates standing receptions in the main floor foyer for up to 700 (1100 with both the foyer and mezzanine) and is ideal for gala auctions, weddings, cocktails, meetings, or seated dinners for up to 150.

Provide a seamless registration experience in the lobby with built-in coatroom that allows guests to make a grand entrance. Hand-detailed ornamentation adorns the ceiling, balconies, and fixtures, providing existing décor and ambient lighting. The three-level theatre foyer is an elegant, spacious, and versatile venue for any occasion.

Amenities include house bars, highboy tables, costume displays, backstage tours, house lighting, sound equipment and direct vendor access from Madison Street.

Banquet capacity: 150

Standing capacity: 700; 1100 using both main floor and mezzanine

Theatre-style capacity: 356



WILLIAM B. AND CATHERINE GRAHAM ROOM

The William B. and Catherine Graham Room offers transitional space, breakout rooms, expanding foyer event capacity, and hosting VIPs.

The Graham Room comprises five adjoining salons with richly appointed décor and is located on the second-floor mezzanine level. It can be accessed through either the opera house or office tower entrance. Amenities include elevator access, banquet tables, chairs, lounge furniture, piano, full kitchen, private restrooms, and a coat room.

Banquet capacity: 120

Standing capacity: 238

Theatre-style capacity: 100



SARAH AND PEER PEDERSEN ROOM

The beautiful Sarah and Peer Pedersen Room is a gorgeous space designed to echo the décor and architecture of the Civic Opera House.

Amenities include restaurant-style seating, elegant bar, prep kitchen, house sound system, and private restrooms.

Banquet capacity: 72

Standing capacity: 100



FLORIAN OPERA BISTRO

The lively Florian Opera Bistro provides a European bistro-style atmosphere featuring a stunning collection of photographs and costume display from Lyric's celebrated past and exciting present.

The Florian Bistro is located off the third-floor theatre lobby and includes amenities such as restaurant-style seating, ample bar, prep kitchen, house sound system, and elevator access.

Banquet capacity: 136
Standing capacity: 200



MALOTT ROOM

The Malott Room offers a bright and private setting for corporate meetings, press events, or private receptions while attending the opera. The Malott Room is located on the second-floor mezzanine level and is easily accessible from the foyer. Amenities include elevator access, highboy tables and lounge furniture.

Banquet capacity: 50
Standing capacity: 75
Theatre-style: 60



HIRE FEES

Ardis Krainik Theatre & Stage	Private - \$11,500 Public ticketed - \$10,000
Daniel F. and Ada L. Rice Grand Foyer	\$6,500
William B. and Catherine Graham Room	\$1,500
Sarah and Peer Pedersen Room	\$1,500
Florian Opera Bistro	\$1,500
Malott Room	\$1,000

Additional fees for equipment and labor may apply. Please ask a Presentations & Events Representative for a customized proposal based on your specific event requirements.

TECHNICAL CAPABILITIES

Lyric Opera's Civic Opera House offers a 50'w x 30'h proscenium, 109'w x 72'8"d stage, and 145' height to gridiron. Stage includes house curtain, single purchase counter-weight rigging system, 103 sets with 5 lines per set, 70' pipes and spot and chain motors available for rent as needed.

The House Orchestra Pit is 8'-5" below stage level. The apron overhangs US wall of pit 10'-4". The pit can be covered and hold an additional 140 seats, taking the total house capacity from 3,563 to 3,703. Full IMAG capabilities available upon request.

Full sound package, lighting package, carpentry and fly services; NASDAQ-approved Livestream capability. There are 9 dressing rooms backstage. There are 2 loading docks including Wacker Drive ramp and Washington Street truck lift capable loading a full 53' trailer (with city tractor).



WIFI

- Livestream certified / broadcast capable
- Wifi available throughout the building

BAR PACKAGES

Premium Bar Packages \$36 per person

Spirits: Captain Morgan
Bombay Sapphire Gin
Dewar's White Label Scotch
Grey Goose Vodka
Jameson Irish Whiskey
Maker's Mark Bourbon

Beer: Revolution Anti-Hero IPA
Miller Lite
Heineken
Blue Moon

House Wine: Oxford Landing Sauvignon Blanc
Oxford Landing Cabernet Sauvignon

Beer and Wine Packages \$26 per person

Beer: Revolution Anti-Hero IPA
Miller Lite
Heineken
Blue Moon

House Wine: Oxford Landing Sauvignon Blanc
Oxford Landing Cabernet Sauvignon

*Product subject to availability

- Overtime charges begin after 4 hours at a rate of \$18.00 per person per hour.
- Prices per person are based on final guest count to caterer.
- Prices include house bartenders, house alcohol, Coke brand sodas and water, juice mixers, garnish, ice and napkins.
- Caterer must provide set-up, glassware, break-down, table wine, sparkling water, tea and coffee.
- All applicable state and local taxes and 18% service charge will be added.
- Reduced rate packages for shorter events available upon request.
- Package upgrades including specialty drinks and sparkling wine available upon request.
- Per person corkage fee will be applied for events with donated product.

PREFERRED CATERERS

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