SAFETY INFORMATION SHEET

LIGHTING PRODUCTION

WHAT THIS SHEET APPLIES TO:

Anyone using the theatrical lighting systems the University Theatre, Studio I, or Studio II

RISKS INCLUDE:

Death by electrocution or personal injury.

GUIDELINES, RULES, AND PROCEDURES:

- Only properly trained and authorized persons are allowed to work with stage lighting equipment and electrical equipment.
- Only properly trained and authorized persons are allowed to use the JLG lift, ladders, and fall protection equipment. See also the Safety Information Sheet entitled “Fall Protection—Lighting”.
- All stage lighting equipment must be properly maintained and regularly inspected.
- Always unplug lighting units BEFORE opening to check the condition of a lamp.
- Never touch the glass on a stage lamp with your fingers. Grease will be deposited on the lamp and lead to lamp failure.
- When hanging or unhanging lighting units in the theaters the approved procedures MUST be followed by trained and authorized personnel. See also the Safety Information Sheets entitled “Fly System Operation” and “Fly System Loading & Unloading”.
- All lighting units must be hung with an approved safety cable and hanging hardware must be tightened.
- Test all stage lighting units, cables, and circuits during the hang.
- No other work should happen on stage in the area where lighting units are being hung, unhung, or focused.
- When working on hazardous equipment (e.g. a patch panel, a dimmer rack) always work in pairs.
- Remove contents of pockets before using the lift, catwalks, or ladders.
- Stage lighting units become very hot with use. Gloves are available in the Tool Room for focusing.
- Wash hands and forearms after each work call (the cords on most lighting units are covered with a fiberglass material which can irritate the skin).

FOR FURTHER UNDERSTANDING:

See the Technical Director’s web site for textual and internet resources

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