



SAFETY INFORMATION SHEET

REHEARSALS – GENERAL SAFETY

WHAT THIS SHEET APPLIES TO:

In-class and after-hours participation in directing by faculty and students. Spaces covered include the University Theater, Studio I, Studio II, the Lobby, the Greenroom, and ad hoc rehearsal spaces

RISKS INCLUDE:

Physical and vocal damage due to improper warm-up procedures; accidental injury due to slips and falls or heavy lifting; illness due to poorly controlled temperature in rehearsal spaces; injury due to obstacles in the space or poor lighting; injury due to badly choreographed movement; injury due to inappropriate rehearsal clothing

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- Do not attempt any movement or voice work without an appropriate warm-up.
- Event supervisors should make certain that the space is unobstructed and well lighted.
- Event supervisors should make certain that the floor is clean and dry. This is especially true if actors must work in bare feet (discouraged).
- All participants, including non-class acting volunteers, should familiarize themselves with the particularities of the rehearsal/performance space.
- Anyone who takes a rehearsal space into complete darkness must inform participants that it is about to happen.
- No individual should attempt to move heavy objects without assistance. Participants with special health concerns should inform the event supervisor.
- All militant movement must be certified by a qualified fight choreographer. Appropriate footwear and clothing should be worn at all times.
- If flames need to be used, see the Safety Information Sheet entitled "Fire Protection & Fire Safety".
- Know the location of the nearest first-aid station, phone, fire extinguisher, fire alarm pull station, and fire exit at all times.
- Rehearsal space should be left in the condition in which it is found, or better.
- "Buddy up" when traveling to and from rehearsals, particularly at night. Never check dressing rooms or isolated backstage areas by yourself.

FOR FURTHER UNDERSTANDING:

*See the Technical Director's web site for textual and internet resources
www.fau.edu/~shorrock*

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