



WELCOME TO NORTHERN STAGE

Northern Stage is the biggest producing theatre company in the North East of England. As well as producing at least five of our own shows a year we also host productions by dozens of theatre companies every year including award winning drama, dance, family shows and comedy.

Every space in our central Newcastle upon Tyne venue is available for hire including our three performance spaces and contemporary Foyer Café Bar. We are located just moments from the city's main shopping area on Northumberland Street.

Northern Stage offers the perfect venue for a variety of functions including theatrical performances, corporate events, wedding receptions, conferences, award ceremonies, business meetings, parties and drinks receptions.

With in-house professional technical expertise and equipment, a friendly front of house team and on-site catering by McKenna's, we are uniquely skilled to support any event, whether large or small to the highest standard.















Northern Stage can host a range of events from theatrical performances to conferences, wedding receptions to business meetings and our friendly team will provide support to the highest standard.

YOUR EVENT





"Thank you for a fantastic fun week...
thanks to you and ALL of your staff, they
were all brilliant and a pleasure to work
with... we are really looking forward to
being with you again next year."

West End Operatic Society

Northern Stage's three performance spaces can be hired by theatre companies or drama groups and societies, whether professional or amateur, wanting to put on a show, run workshops or rehearse in a professional theatre.

The academies, societies, universities, schools and colleges who hire Northern Stage, many of whom have been coming back year after year, say there's nothing like preparing and performing in a professional environment to ensure their production achieves its full potential.

Performing or contributing to a theatrical production at Northern Stage has been a life affirming experience for thousands of actors, directors and behind the scenes contributors, many of whom are young people from Newcastle and the wider region.

With the resources and expertise of one of the UK's leading producing theatre companies we can support your production to the highest standard.

Our three auditoria mean we can host productions ranging from intimate performances to an audience of 70 in Stage 3 right up to an audience of 440 in our main Stage 1 auditorium.

See further information about our performance spaces for hire: STAGE 1 STAGE 2 STAGE 3



Northern Stage is an ideal venue for your corporate or business event, whether a conference, festival, award ceremony or just a team meeting or away day. We're also a great venue for corporate entertaining and work's social events.

Our stylish and versatile spaces, technical and production expertise and on-site caterers - McKenna's - mean we have an established reputation for running great corporate events.

We provide a personal service and also have a wide range of extras available for hire to make sure your event has the maximum impact. Just let us know what you need and we'll arrange it.

Northern Stage offers reduced hire rates for charitable or community organisations and events.

See further information about our spaces for hire: STAGE 1 STAGE 2 STAGE 3 FOYER CAFÉ BAR THE MEZZANINE



"A huge thank you for all your help in making our event such a huge success. Feedback has been amazing. Your attention to detail, flexibility and support was much appreciated and you provided us with a first class service."

Virgin

"A big thanks for all your help and support in the production and the whole event. I have had so much positive feedback... thanks to everyone at Northern Stage for the space and all your technical expertise on the day."

Newcastle University



With our range of contemporary and versatile spaces and on-site caterers – McKenna's - Northern Stage is a popular venue for parties and celebrations.

Our main celebration spaces available for exclusive hire are the Foyer Café Bar, Stage 3 and the Mezzanine.

Parties and celebrations we've hosted have included birthday parties, leaving do's, private and corporate drinks receptions, graduation and prom parties, baby naming parties and retirement bashes.

Parties and celebrations at Northern Stage can be flexible to your needs but we can offer:

- A variety of spaces available for exclusive hire, configured to your requirements
- Food and drink from our range of menus, or to your bespoke requirements
- Space for live entertainment, bands and DJs, private bars and friendly front of house staff
- A late license so you can keep celebrating 'til the early hours
- Our uniquely skilled in-house technical team to ensure lighting, sound and other atmospheric requirements are achieved

See further information about our celebration spaces for hire: STAGE 3 FOYER CAFÉ BAR THE MEZZANINE



"Thank you for last night — the food went down really well and everyone was saying how nice it was! All your staff were great... everyone really enjoyed themselves."

Irwin Mitchell LLP







At Northern Stage we don't believe in 'wedding packages', we provide a personal service to ensure your wedding reception is exactly how you want it!

As well as our range of stylish celebration spaces, award winning on-site catering and in-house technical expertise, being a central Newcastle venue we are ideally located for a range of city centre ceremonial venues as well as public transport and parking.

Wedding receptions at Northern Stage can be flexible to your requirements but to give you a flavour of what we have to offer, your reception can include:

- Exclusive use of our Foyer Bar, the Mezzanine or Stage 3 or a combination of spaces depending on guest numbers
- Events ranging from an intimate meal for a few of your nearest and dearest to lavish receptions for 200+ guests
- Food and drink from our range of menus or to your bespoke requirements, from a sit down meal with table service to more informal buffets, day-time or evening
- Private bar and dedicated front of house staff
- A great venue for discos, DJs or live bands
- A late licence so you can keep celebrating 'til the early hours
- Our uniquely skilled in-house technical team to ensure lighting, sound and atmospheric requirements are achieved

See further information about our wedding reception spaces for hire: STAGE 3 FOYER CAFÉ BAR THE MEZZANINE

"The wedding was amazing from beginning to end... our guests could not believe how good and original a wedding venue it was, and how polite and friendly all the staff were."

The Happy Couple

"Thank you for all your hard work and enthusiasm leading up to and during our wedding reception. It was an absolutely magical day and we are so pleased that we chose Northern Stage as our venue."

The Newlyweds

With our three auditoria, contemporary foyer bar and hospitality mezzanine combined with our central Newcastle location, Northern Stage is a stellar venue for a diverse range of events, from theatrical productions to corporate events and private parties.

OUR VENUE



MAKE MAXIMUM IMPACT ON OUR BIGGEST STAGE

KEY FACTS	SEATED	STANDING	STAGE
STAGE 1	447		16.8 x 10.19m

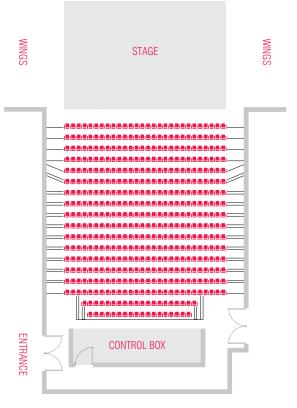
Stage 1 is Northern Stage's biggest auditorium, suitable for theatrical productions, conferences, presentations and award ceremonies.

Stage 1 has played host to hundreds of theatrical performances over the years as well as other high profile events such as BBC1's Question Time, The Culture for Success Awards, the British Science Festival and Virgin StartUp with Richard Branson.

Stage 1 is a versatile venue for a wide range of events, both corporate and theatrical. Hire of the space comes with technical support, front of house management including ushering as well as use of dressing rooms.

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Stage 1 Auditorium



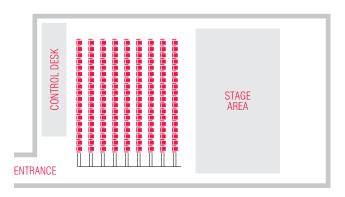
CREATE THE RIGHT IMPRESSION IN OUR STUDIO SPACE

KEY FACTS	SEATED	STANDING	STAGE
STAGE 2	160		12.0 x 9.0m

Stage 2 is our medium-sized studio theatre that can be configured in many different ways.

Its flexibility makes Stage 2 an ideal venue for a diverse range of events including performances, conferences, awards ceremonies, lectures, presentations and workshops.

Hire of the space comes with technical support, front of house management including ushering, as well as use of dressing rooms.



Stage 2 Auditorium





OUR VENUE



OUR INTIMATE SPACE FOR PERFORMANCES, PRESENTATIONS AND PARTIES

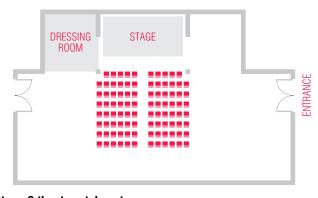
KEY FACTS	SEATED	STANDING	FLOOR SPACE	STAGE
STAGE 3	100	140	208m²	6.0 x 3.0m

Stage 3 is a flexible space that can be configured for intimate performances and productions, as well as smaller conferences, seminars, and exhibitions.

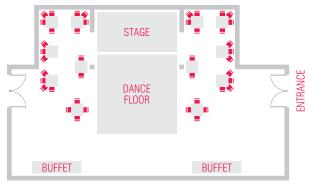
Stage 3 is also a popular venue for wedding receptions, informal corporate events and parties. With a seated capacity of up to 100 which can be configured in a variety of ways, Stage 3 can also accommodate up to 140 standing.

"The staff were all very helpful, approachable and accommodating. The venue was great and Stage 3 was perfect for the exhibitors and networking. When you walked in the room you got the 'WOW' factor which was just what we wanted."

Service Network



Stage 3 theatre-style set-up



Stage 3 example reception/party set-up





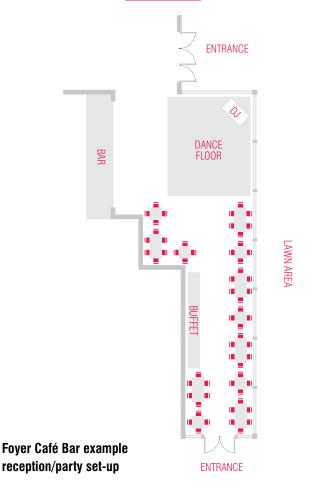
A 'LOVELY' PLACE TO GREET, MEET AND EAT

KEY FACTS	SEATED	STANDING	FLOOR SPACE
FOYER CAFÉ BAR	140	200	195m²

A contemporary, light and airy space that can accommodate 140 seated though the venue can be configured to accommodate a mixture of both sitting and standing which increases the capacity.

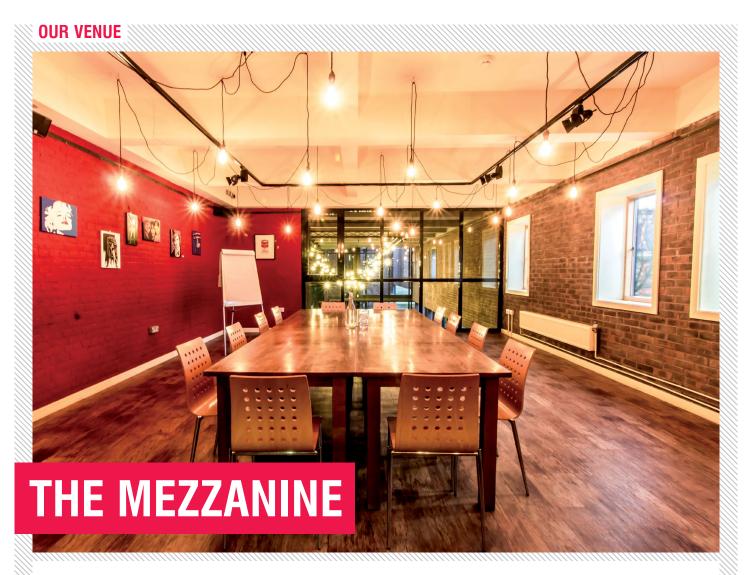
With an integrated bar, the foyer can be hired for exclusive use and is a wonderful space for a range of events such as receptions, launch events, wedding meals and corporate dinners.

Food and drink at Northern Stage is provided by our award-winning in house caterers McKenna's, a family business based in the theatre since 1996 – see **FOOD & DRINK** for more information.



"Above the bar is a huge sign, six red letters each lit up by light bulbs. LOVELY, it spells out. I couldn't have put it better myself. I'll certainly be back for an encore."

Living North Magazine



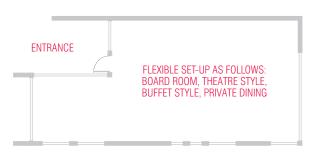
A PRIVATE SPACE FOR MEETINGS, PRESENTATIONS AND DINING

KEY FACTS	SEATED	STANDING	FLOOR SPACE
THE MEZZANINE	50	70	62m²

The Mezzanine overlooks the Foyer Café Bar and is a bright, modern space for up to 50 seated guests or around 70 standing.

The Mezzanine can be hired for exclusive use and is an ideal space for both formal and informal events including business meetings, launch events, presentations, drinks receptions, private parties and private dining.

The Mezzanine can be configured in the following ways: Board Room, Theatre Style, Buffet Style, Private Dining.



Mezzanine floor space







Food and drink for events at Northern Stage is provided on site by the award-winning family business McKenna's, resident in the venue since 1996.

From buffets to banquets, canapés to private dining, McKenna's offer food and drinks options to suit all requirements, from big corporate events to intimate private parties.

You can choose from our Function Menus (see www.northernstage.co.uk/venue-hire/food-and-drink) or if you want to talk to us about your requirements we'll tailor everything to your needs. Just let us know.

As well as providing catering for events at the venue, McKenna's Café Bar and Restaurant is open at Northern Stage from 9.30am 'til 11pm Tuesday to Saturday, 9.30am to 6pm on Mondays.

"An excellent range of food to cater for all tastes."

Taste Magazine

"The conference dinner was a terrific success so thanks to everyone at McKenna's! Everyone loved the food and the service was great so gold stars all round!"

Newcastle University





TECHNICAL & FRONT OF HOUSE



As one of the UK's leading producing theatre companies Northern Stage is uniquely placed to support your event or theatre production to the highest standard.

Whether you're hiring the venue for a theatre production, holding a business event or hosting a reception or party, we can provide a range of support services.

Your production or event will also be supported by our Front of House team, which depending on your requirements can include event management and support, Box Office and Reception staff, Ushers as well as Catering and Bar Staff.

Equipment and services we can provide for events includes:

A full Technical

Specification for

Stages 1, 2 and 3

is available on

request

- Theatre Lighting
- PA Systems and Microphones
- Projectors and Screen
- · Film and Audio Recording
- Lectern
- WiFi
- Plasma Screen and Laptop
- · Flipcharts, Pens and Paper
- Coat Rails
- Registration Areas and Tables
- · Box Office Services and Ticketing
- Additional Technical Equipment or Event Support just ask!





"A huge thank you... the help from managerial and front of house staff and the assistance for the evening show was superb."

The People's Assembly



Located a 2 minute walk from **Havmarket Metro Station and** Newcastle's main shopping area on **Northumberland Street, Northern** Stage is easy to get to by Metro, bus, taxi or car.

The nearest car park is a few minutes away on Claremont Road which is free after 6pm.

Newcastle upon Tyne is located in the North East of England, with links to Newcastle Central Rail Station and Newcastle International Airport connecting our vibrant and cultural city to Edinburgh in the north and London to the south.

www.northernstage.co.uk/venue-hire

NORTHERN STAGE Barras Bridge **Newcastle upon Tyne**



HOW TO GET HERE & ACCESSIBILITY

WE ARE PROUD TO HAVE A FULLY ACCESSIBLE BUILDING

Northern Stage can be accessed from either Claremont Road (opposite the Great North Museum: Hancock) or Barras Bridge (opposite Newcastle Civic Centre).

There are two entrances to the venue:



Kings Road Entrance (taxi drop-off/collection point)



Main Entrance

Both level entrances have automated doors. The venue has three lifts providing access to all parts of the building.



There are five wheelchair positions in Stage 1, two positions in Stage 2 and all seats are removable in Stage 3.



Accessible WCs in Stage 3 and Stage 2 lower entrance lobby.



Guide, hearing and all working dogs are welcome throughout the building.



Induction loop system in all public spaces, and an infra-red system in all three performance spaces.

Contact our Venue Hire team with any questions about travel links to the venue or accessibility information: hiresandevents@northernstage.co.uk or 0191 242 7204