

## Treehouse Shakers Animal Rhythms: Two African Folktales

**PLEASE NOTE:** THIS TECHNICAL RIDER IS PART AND PARCEL OF THE CONTRACT. SPECIFIC APPLICATION OF THIS RIDER IS DEPENDENT ON NEGOTIATED PROGRAM AND RESIDENCY ACTIVITIES. WHEN MAKING SPECIAL EQUIPMENT ARRANGEMENTS, CONTACT THE COMPANY FOR SPECIFIC PROGRAM INFORMATION.

**Presenter:**

**Address:**

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**Venue:**

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**Date(s) of Performances:**

### **1. STAGE REQUIREMENTS:**

**A) *Minimum Physical Dimensions:*** Performance Area: 25 foot width X 25 foot depth X 19 feet height to grid.

**B) *Stage Surface:*** The floor must be a sprung wooden floor (not wood laid over concrete or cement) The floor must be smooth, level and even. All holes, cracks, and like imperfections must be filled and stopped with wood or cork. A BLACK (not gray) MODERN DANCE FLOOR (free from ballet rosin), WHICH COVERS at least 25' width X 25' depth, IS REQUIRED AND MUST BE PROVIDED BY THE PRESENTER. The covering must be black marley or an equivalent.

**C) *Stage area:*** Two wings on each side of the stage are required. In addition the area must be cleared, and cleaned to provide for a safe running crossover (considering the dancers will be barefoot). The floor must be thoroughly swept and damp-mopped by stage employees immediately prior to rehearsals, performances, and, at the discretion of the Company Production Director.

### **2. DRESSING AND MASKING:**

The Sponsor/Theatre must provide a sufficient number of line sets, battens, pipes, and/or hanging positions for:

**A)** 2 separate line sets to hang set of 3 separate cloth set pieces to trim at 11 feet to the pipe

**B)** Ideally the electrics trim at 22' – 25' to the pipe.

### **3. HEATING:**

The stage area and dressing rooms must be heated to a MINIMUM of 74 degrees F (optimum temperature: 75-78 degrees F) and are to be draft-free at all times (including

warm-up periods, rehearsals, classes, and performances) that dancers are in the space. If any of the above areas cannot be sufficiently heated, space heaters must be provided.

**4. DRESSING ROOMS:**

- A) Each dressing room requires at least one rack for hanging costumes and sufficient lighting, tables, chairs and mirrors.
- B) Enough rooms to accommodate a company of 6, [5 women and 1 man, and 1 Room for Company Production Staff.
- C) The dressing rooms must be separate and apart from the public's view, and adjacent to the stage.
- D) Dressing rooms must be available at all times that the company is in the building, and must be heated, at that time, in accordance with the heating specifications listed in Section #3.
- E) Rest room and shower facilities must be in an area separate and apart from public viewing and use, preferably backstage, near the dressing rooms.

**5. HOSPITALITY:**

The Presenter must provide a Hospitality Package for each day of performances and for each Performance/Residency/Rehearsal activity including: ice for injuries, bottled water, fresh fruit, fruit juice, coffee, tea, and a mix of vegetarian and meat sandwiches for 7 people.

**OBLIGATIONS OF THE PRESENTER PRIOR TO THE COMPANY'S ARRIVAL**

**6. TECHNICAL INFORMATION:**

No later than six weeks prior to the arrival of the Company (preferably earlier), the Presenter shall provide the following information about the theater venue: in-house softgoods, lighting, and sound equipment inventories, a lineset schedule, a scaled floor plan drawing of the stage, including dimensions, and if available, a circuiting diagram, a patch panel diagram, and a lighting board diagram indicating the number of working and/or non-working Control Channels and Dimmers, as well as the capacity of each dimmer. A complete and accurate fly or batten plan must be included with the scaled floor plan.

**7. PERSONNEL REQUIREMENTS:**

- A) The following personnel must be available for running performances:
  - (1) Lighting Board Operator/Lighting Designer
  - (1) Sound Board Operator
- B) Load-in and Load-out crew requirements are dependent upon venue specifics as related to Set-up, Change-overs, and adaptations. Please add at least: (1) Electricians, and (1) Sound technician for load-in, load-out, and changeovers.
- C) Lighting and soundboard operators must have prior experience with the equipment they are running.
- D) **Crew personnel running technical rehearsals must be the same crew personnel who will then run the performances.**

**8. WARDROBE:**

The Sponsor/Theatre must provide:

- A) (2) Steam Irons and Ironing Boards and/or steamers.

- B) In-house or Access to Laundry Service Facilities.
- C) (1) Room suitable for use as a wardrobe prep area.

**9. SOUND REQUIREMENTS:**

- A) The theater must have a professional quality sound system capable of providing playback on CD.
- B) The mixing console must be able to support one monitor send to onstage speakers for the dancers, and main sends to FOH speakers. It must also support the stereo inputs (L/R) for the requested playback formats.
- C) Loudspeakers: The FOH sound system must be capable of producing low distortion, full bandwidth response and cover the entire audience area. There must be four monitors for onstage coverage.
- D) Sufficient amplifiers to drive all speakers and EQ for all amplifiers.
- E) (2) vocal microphones with mic stands, either wireless or with long cords
- F) (1) instrument mic with stand for drummer
- G) An intercom system (preferably Clear-Com type), with (3) stations: (1) lighting control board, (1) sound control board, and (1) for company Stage Manager.

**10. LIGHTING REQUIREMENTS:**

Lighting equipment varies according to the particular venue. Please verify equipment needs with the company, prior to the rental of any stage equipment, which is not part of the standard inventory of the Theatre. The company will contact the production staff to determine specific lighting possibilities.

**11. PROPOSED PRODUCTION SCHEDULE**

**PLEASE NOTE: This schedule is based on the fact that the lighting plot will be pre-hung, circuited, and patched, and the marley dance floor will be laid, PRIOR TO the arrival of the company's Production Director and the Company load-in.**

**TECHNICAL LOAD-IN and DRESS REHEARSAL DAY - Example**

10am - 1pm	Write lighting cues with dancers on stage, set sound levels
1 - 2pm	Crew lunch break
2 - 4pm	Dress rehearsal with lighting and sound.
4pm - 4:15pm	Crew break
4:15pm - 6pm	Tech notes if needed.
6pm	Close out theater.

**PERFORMANCE DAY**

9am	Stage available for dancers warm-up
11am	Curtain

If there are any problems with the above, please notify the Company as soon as possible to allow for any adjustments or clarifications.

Any questions regarding this technical rider, please contact:  
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**AGREED AND ACCEPTED:**

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For Presenter:  
By:

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Date

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For Treehouse Shakers  
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