Virginia Tech

SCHOOL OF PERFORMING ARTS | MUSIC | THEATRE | CINEMA

USE CLARIFICATION FOR THE RECITAL SALON, STUDIO THEATRE, THEATRE 101, AND OTHER SPACES MANAGED BY SOPA

The Recital Salon, Studio Theatre, and Theatre 101 spaces are all managed by the School of Performing Arts | Music | Theatre | Cinema at Virginia Tech. All three of these venues are academic spaces and intended for teaching and learning purposes within SOPA. These spaces are not available for use by groups outside of SOPA due to the following:

- Increased demand on the spaces for academic programs within the School of Performing Arts.
- Risk and liability issues associated with allowing non-university groups to use these facilities. See University Policy 5000.
- Absence of recourse for recovering damages or recouping costs from external groups for maintenance or repairs to the venues.
- Lack of human resources to staff events and to be responsible for outside use of the space.
- Availability of other appropriate venues on campus and in the community that are managed, equipped, and staffed for such purposes (for instance, The Moss Center, Haymarket Theatre, War Memorial Chapel, the Lyric Theatre, and various Blacksburg spaces).

This practice was implemented beginning July 1, 2015, re-affirmed July 1, 2019 and will be in effect for subsequent years unless substantively changed by Virginia Tech or the School of Performing Arts.

Additional Resources for Securing Space on campus for classes and event venues:

- University guidelines and advice on planning events and requesting space: https://www.vpas.vt.edu/programs/events-on-main-campus.html
- General assignment classroom spaces from the Registrar through the "Room Reservation Request" system online at Hokie Spa.
- Other campus spaces can be reserved through Event Services here: https://campuslife.vt.edu/secl_services/event_planning.html.
- Certain events can be held in the Squires Cultural and Community Centers through this reservation portal: https://ecc.vt.edu/about/reserve_space.html.
- The Graduate Life Center also has event spaces available through this portal: https://graduatelifecenter.vt.edu/space-reservations.html.