2026-2027 Hire Rates and Charges

PERFORMANCES: LOCAL COMMUNITY HIRERS

Applicable from 1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027, all prices GST inclusive

Bendigo Venues & Events reserves the right to change hire charges as necessary. The hire charges will be costed to the hirer according to the financial year in which the booking occurs, as fees may increase with the next financial year. Please consider this if your booking occurs in the next financial year.

Ulumbarra Theatre	
Performance Rental (maximum 5 hours)	$ 1665
Additional Performance on Same Day	$ 833 per performance
Rental for Bump In/Out and Rehearsals	$ 117 per hour
Rental for Dark Day	$ 900 per day
Capital Theatre	
Performance Rental (maximum 5 hours)	$ 950
Additional Performance on Same Day	$ 475 per performance
Rental for Bump In/Out and Rehearsals	$ 68 per hour
Rental for Dark Day	$ 710 per day
Banquet Room / Bendigo Bank Theatre	
Performance Rental (maximum 5 hours)	$ 260
Additional Hours	$ 42 per hour
The Engine Room (Old Fire Station)	
Drama Studio or Dance Studio first floor	$ 100 up to 4 hours $ 150/day $840/week
Pre-rig or technical set up and back to standard might be necessary depending on the size and scope of your event. Staff and venues cost will apply and will be the full responsibility of the hirer.	
If the hirer remains in the venue for more than twelve (12) consecutive hours, for each additional hour beyond the initial twelve-hour period, the venue rental will be charged at double the standard hourly rate. This surcharge is applied to cover the operational costs associated with extended venue use.	
Box Office Fees	
Booking Fee per Ticket Sold	$ 2.50 per ticket
Booking Fee per Complimentary Ticket Issued	$ 0.95 per ticket
Merchandise Charges (if BV&E seller provided)	10% of gross sales

Venue Staff (can charge at 30min increments)	(min 3 hr call)
Standard rate – up to 9 hours	$ 50 p/hr ($150 minimum call)
1.25 x Weekend rate (Saturdays and Sundays)	$ 62.50 p/hr ($187.50 minimum call)
1.5 x Overtime rate – longer than 9 hrs worked	$ 75 p/hr
2 x Overtime rate – longer than 11 hrs worked - After midnight, prior to 7am - No 10 hour break between shifts - Public holidays	$ 100 p/hr
Missed Meal Break	$ 52

Staffing Requirements
All BV&E venues have minimum staffing requirements in order to operate safely. Your individual requirements will be used to determine the number and duration of staff needed to run your event.

- For Capital Theatre and Ulumbarra Theatre 1 x Supervising Technician and 2 x General Technicians + 1 x Front of House Supervisor and 1 x Box Office attendant are mandatory (not included in venue hire charge)
- Supervising Technician begins shift 30 minutes prior to hirer's arrival and concludes 30 minutes after hirer's departure.
- Technical crew commence up to 30 minutes prior to the hirer's arrival in order to undertake necessary safety checks and briefings.
- All set up, pack down, pre-rig and back to standard labour hours are charged to the hirer.
- Staff are required to take a meal break between the 3rd and 5th hour, and between the 8th and 10th hour of work. A fee is charged for missed meal breaks after each 5 hours. Meal breaks cannot be taken whilst the hirer is in the venue.

Equipment and Services	
Steinway Grand Piano (Capital)	$ 117 per day no tune $ 505 per day with tune
Concert Grand Piano (Ulumbarra)	Tuning fees (at market rate)
Kawai Baby Grand/Kawai Upright Piano	$ 117 per day no tune $ 405 per day with tune
Audio Package	$ 323 per event in BBT and The Engine Room
Data Projector, in-house equipment	$ 240 per day at Capital and Ulumbarra
Data Projector, in-house equipment	$ 120 per day at The Engine Room
Follow Spot	$ 30.50 each
Hazer	$ 145 each
Headset Microphone	$ 48 each
Laptop	$ 120 per day
Drapes kit *4m high x 10 m (3 sides)*	$ 217.50
Additional speaker	$ 22
2 x Subs	$ 44
Rechargeable LED Lighting Set	$ 212
Gaffer Tape	$ 33 per roll
Electrical Tape	$ 2.60 per roll
Mark Up Tape	$ 5 per roll
Batteries	$ 3.30 each
Electronic Direct Mail (EDM)	$ 120 each
Additional Cleaning Additional Technical Equipment	By Negotiation By Negotiation

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