

## **The Bridgewater Hall, Manchester**

### **TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS**

#### **Capacity (Maximum)**

Fixed seating auditorium: 2341 on four levels, including 16 wheelchair spaces  
Standard non-classical layout, with drapes, 1740 over four levels.

#### **Corporate Hospitality**

Hospitality packages available for a variety of concerts. Please visit the Corporate Web pages or contact the commercial team for up to date information on 0161 950 0000

#### **Conferences, Events & Exhibitions Areas**

Auditorium 1850  
Barbirolli 180  
Charles Hallé 40  
Circle Foyer 350

For details of spaces, floor plans and catering options please visit:  
Please visit the Corporate Web pages

#### **Media Facilities**

Available on request

#### **Auditorium Ceiling Height**

20m clearance above stage

#### **Stage Area**

*Stage Size:* 19m wide at front tapering to 12.3m at the rear & 12.8m deep  
*Stage Clearance:* 20m from stage to rigging Points

#### **Rigging**

57 x 2-tonne points above stage and/or in roof with 8 x 1-tonne Hoist for hire

#### **Masking Drapes**

Flexible plum-coloured wool serge drape system

#### **Sound**

Full PA system available  
Meyer M2D curvilinear array  
Midas Heritage 2000 (40-10-1)  
Outboard Equipment  
Microphones  
Please call Technical Manager for a Full list of available Equipment

#### **Communication Equipment**

Clearcom intercom system

#### **Light**

Dimmable house lighting  
*Lighting Desk:* Strand 550 or Avolites Pearl 2000  
Permanent lighting Rig for lighting Orchestra with basic colour washes  
Robert Juliat Ivanhoe Followspots 2500W  
Please call Technical Manager for a full list of available Equipment

## **Electrical Power**

*For lighting:* 400 amp Powerlocks only (no camlocks), 125amp & 63amp 3 Phase (Stage Left)

*For sound:* 63 amp & 125 amp single phase (Stage Right), 63amp 3 Phase (Stage Left)

*Independent:* Various 13a, 15a, 16a and 32a non-dim circuits

## **Artist's Rooms/Orchestra Rooms/Production Office**

4 x en-suite dressing/locker rooms for 25-30 people on stage level

5 x small **Star** en-suite dressing rooms with TV and fridges on one level above stage

(One with access facilities)

All rooms are lockable

Production office with table chairs TV

Analogue telephone/facsimile/modem lines and wireless access

ISDN line/broadband/wireless access – available on request

## **Box Office**

Advance booking office with dedicated box office manager. Fully integrated sales system: 5 x over the counter sales windows, telephone and online booking system with 'select your own seat' option. Group sales department.

## **Security**

CCTV in house – 24 hour substantial coverage of both front of house, back of house entrances and surrounding areas

Event stewarding – in-house

Those working at events undertaking licensable activity will require an SIA licence provided by an external Security Company chosen and booked by the Venue at an additional charge.

Licensable activity is defined as:

- Guarding premises against unauthorised access or occupation, outbreaks of disorder or damage
- Guarding property against destruction, damage or theft
- Guarding one or more individuals against assault or injury

If anyone undertaking licensable activity works at a premises or area within the venue licensed under the licensing Act 2003 they will require an SIA **door supervisor licence**.

## **Catering**

Charles Hallé Restaurant open for pre-dining – bookings through Box Office

Stalls Café Bar open at lunchtime and for pre-concert dining – bookings through Box Office

Bars on all 4 x Front of House levels

Artists' Bar is available by prior arrangement on concert nights for the provision of serves tea, coffee, soft drinks & snacks, on a cash basis. Hot meals and dressing room catering are also available, upon request.

## **Merchandising**

Merchandise space available next to the Gift Shop, and Information Desk, by prior arrangement Commission of 20% + VAT will be taken on all merchandise sales. A merchandise salesperson can be provided at an additional charge, by prior arrangement.

## **Medical**

Fully trained first aid staff covering both the front of house and back of house, with specifically designated areas.

## **Parking & Transportation**

Limited parking is available on site for production vehicles, by prior arrangement.

4 public car parks available within close proximity: NCP Manchester Central & NCP Great Northern phase 1, phase 2 and Oxford street.

Railway station, Metrolink access, bus/coach stations provide excellent transport links to and from the venue.

Manchester International Airport with frequent train links to the city centre.  
Easy access to motorway network.

**Loading Bay**

Loading bay access for production vehicles – trucks & vans at stage level

**Access**

The Bridgewater Hall is a fully accessible building

**Other**

Cloakroom – a cloakroom service is available for the patrons/public/conference delegates

Public lifts available to all floors

Artists' lift with access to all levels

Goods lift in the back of house area