

THE
ROUND

THEATRE
HIRE GUIDE





WELCOME TO THE ROUND

A state-of-the-art, iconic performing arts venue

This brand-new, versatile and inspiring performing arts venue is the perfect place to host your next event. Offering indoor and outdoor spaces to hire, in an expansive parkland setting, this is a performing arts centre unlike any other.

The Round has been designed from the ground up to provide a premier experience for performers and patrons from front door to stage door. Designed by internationally renowned and awarded architects, The Round features highly functional spaces accentuated with opulent finishes of brass, gold, velour, marble and glass.

Featuring a 600+ seat proscenium theatre with mechanised orchestra pit and industry-leading hybrid fly system, a highly versatile 200+ seat studio theatre, creative studios, soundscape for outdoor events, function centre, extensive dressing rooms and free car parking; The Round has everything you need to bring your creative vision to life.

We are looking forward to hosting your next event at The Round and welcome you to become a part of our community.

OUR PEOPLE

Committed to your success



Robyn McNicol

Coordinator The Round

Robyn brings a wealth of performing arts leadership experience to The Round team and has been Coordinator of the Whitehorse Centre for over 12 years. She has an in-depth understanding of the importance of the performing arts to the community. Robyn's background in state and local government informs her whole-of-team view of service delivery. She is passionate about ensuring all clients – patrons, performers, and venue hirers – have an exceptional customer experience.



Sarah Bradwell

Venue Sales Officer

Sarah has been involved in all aspects of the performing arts and event management for over 10 years. From performing, to administration and ticketing, to event management, Sarah has a deep understanding of the theatre industry and is passionate about bringing the arts to her local community.



Dave McCarthy

Marketing Lead

With over a decade of experience in entertainment industry marketing, Dave has worked extensively across a diverse range of clients from Australia's biggest music festivals to community groups and everything in between. Dave brings a results-focussed, transparent and modern approach to marketing with client success and consultation at its core.

Our team has the skills, knowledge and experience to bring your vision to life.

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Katie Harrigan

Technical and Venue Services Team Leader

Katie graduated with an advanced diploma in Sound Production in 2014 and has since worked as a technician in venues and festivals across Melbourne and around Australia. Having worked for several years as the Technical Manager at the Clocktower Theatre, she brings to The Round a wealth of knowledge and experience in running a performing arts venue.



Megan Coe

Visitor Services Team Leader

Megan is a multi-skilled arts administrator with over 15 years' experience delivering a range of visitor and client services within a performing arts venue. She has extensive experience in ticketing services and front-of-house operations. Megan is passionate about delivering high-quality, efficient and inclusive customer interactions that create a memorable visitor experience and grow audience engagement for clients.



Josh Sanders

Programming Team Leader

Josh has worked in almost every facet of the theatre industry in his career. Having trained as a performer before transitioning into production, administration and now programming, Josh has a well-rounded field of expertise in the performing arts.



THEATRE

A warm, intimate experience

The Round's theatre represents the pinnacle of performing arts technology brought to an intimate and unforgettable space.

The modern back-of-house facilities, amenities and technical systems are designed to bring your awe-inspiring productions to life.

The Theatre features a semi-automated hybrid fly system, modern and extensive dressing room space, fully accessible bathrooms, laundry facilities, green room, production office space, stage door office, large loading dock, wheelchair accessible seating, as well as a hearing augmentation system.

Key Features:

- State-of-the-art sound and lighting
- Motorised Orchestra Pit for 28 musicians
- Versatile full LED lighting rig
- Dedicated Musician Room
- Extensive and versatile dressing rooms
- Intimate auditorium with seating for up to 626
- Hybrid fly system
- Highly accessible loading dock
- 4k projection and vision system



STUDIO

A flexible space for creativity

The 203-seat Studio has a retractable seating bank, allowing for a range of different configurations from theatre style, to cabaret, to cocktail. The Studio features a large upstage window providing bright natural light for events. The space can also be fully blacked out, making it ideal for movie screenings, comedy, music, dance rehearsals and small-scale theatre productions.

The Studio is also cleverly designed to open up to the outdoor Soundshell and amphitheatre, becoming the stage for your next outdoor event.

Key Features:

- Highly versatile performance space
- State-of-the-art sound and lighting
- Retractable 203-seat seating bank
- Semi-sprung floor
- Flexible stage accommodates outdoor Soundshell events



CREATIVE SPACES

Where expression comes alive

A dedicated entrance provides a sense of arrival and allows the Creative Spaces to function independently of the whole venue. The Creative Spaces feature two studios with wooden sprung floors, natural daylight, access to change facilities and all-gender bathrooms.

Creative Spaces will be ideal for dance, rehearsals, workshops and classes of all varieties.

Key Features:

- Dedicated entrance and self-contained studios
- Sprung dance floor
- Highly flexible space
- Ballet barres and mirrors



SOUNDSHELL

Where art overflows

The most unique aspect of The Round is the Soundshell which is an extension of the Studio stage. The Soundshell opens up from the Studio, linking state-of-the-art sound, lighting and modern back-of-house facilities to the beauty of our parkland amphitheatre.

This is an outdoor stage unlike any other, offering enhanced protection and security from weather whilst providing performers and staff full access to our backstage facilities.

The Soundshell will create a fantastic audience experience during outdoor events and festivals.

Key Features:

- Permanent outdoor stage
- Full lighting and sound infrastructure
- Festival-sized capacity
- Open-sky outdoor events
- Direct access to modern back-of-house facilities

INCLUSIONS

More than just a room

By hosting your event at The Round, you can enjoy the benefits of a premier performing arts venue that has been purpose-built for events of all types. Our industry-leading service level extends to every aspect of event management, ensuring that you receive exceptional care and attention from contract to completion.

Front of House

- Provision of experienced event staff
- Full bar service for your patrons

Box Office

All ticketing is managed through The Round's Box Office which provides a smooth experience for your patrons.

The Round provides dedicated box office services via phone, counter and online:

Monday to Friday, 10am – 4pm

(as well as 1 hour prior to every performance).

Online ticketing is available 24/7 via

www.theround.com.au

Marketing

Your booking provides access to our marketing that includes:

- Consultation with a marketing expert
- Website listing
- Social media posts across our various channels
- Digital newsletter inclusion
- Flyers in venue

Additional marketing is available, in consultation with Marketing Lead.

Technical

The Round is a performing arts venue with industry leading technical features and equipment. Our Technical Services Team love all things technical and are here to bring your creative vision to life.



FINDING US

A place to create memories

The Round is located at the heart of the vibrant City of Whitehorse, a multicultural community of more than 170,000 residents.

With direct access to the M3 freeway, The Round is a mere 40-minute drive from Melbourne's CBD. Your patrons will never miss an opening number again with The Round's extensive 400+ free car-parking spaces on-site a few metres from the front door.

The Round is well-connected to public transport options, including Nunawading Station and various bus routes.



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The Round represents
a new era of arts and
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