

# Stage 2



## Information for Incoming Companies

The Stables Theatre  
Stockwell Lane  
Wavendon  
Milton Keynes  
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on 01908 280822 or email [technical@stables.org](mailto:technical@stables.org)

## General

- The Stables is an internationally renowned music organisation with a vision to engage the widest range of people with music in all its diversity. It delivers its vision through its concert and event programme at The Stables Theatre in Wavendon, Milton Keynes. It also runs an extensive learning and participation programme in the venue and across the local area and produces a range of work in other spaces including the biennial IF: Milton Keynes International Festival.

## History

- The world-renowned jazz musicians Sir John Dankworth and Dame Cleo Laine founded The Stables in 1970 in some outbuildings at their home as a venue for concerts and education activities. In October 2000, the new Stables Theatre opened its doors, with a second phase of development opening in 2007. It is now home to The Jim Marshall Auditorium with 398 and Stage 2 (80 seated or 120 standing) and presents around 400 concerts and 250 education sessions each year.

## Directions

- **From M1 Junction 14**

Head towards Milton Keynes; At the first roundabout turn left onto the A5130

At the Kingston roundabout take the second exit signposted Wavendon/Woburn Sands, onto the A5130 (Newport Road)

Take the second right by the traffic lights onto the new access road, Dankworth Way

- **From M1 Junction 13**

Head towards Milton Keynes on A421

At the Kingston roundabout take the first exit signposted Wavendon/Woburn Sands, onto the A5130 (Newport Road)

Take the second right by the traffic lights onto the new road, Dankworth Way

- **From anywhere**

Head towards Milton Keynes - Aim for the junction of the A421 (H9 Groveway) and the A5130 at the Kingston roundabout - Take the turn signposted Wavendon –

Take the second right by the traffic lights onto the new access road, Dankworth Way

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## Get In

- Load in door 2065mm x 915mm with direct access to room. It can be found as you enter The Stables site and drive to the right, following signs for the main entrance. The green load in door can be seen on the right side of the main entrance.

## Parking

- Vehicles may be left in the top car park after loading in

## Access

- The Stables is highly accessible to artists with limited mobility.
- Parking bays for blue badge holders are available directly outside the main entrance on a first come first served basis
- There is level step-free access from the car park to the main foyer, Stage 2 and the green room
- There is one gender neutral disabled toilet facility situated in the main foyer
- A stage lift and ramps are available in Stage 2 for access to the stage area
- Stage 2 is fitted with a Sennheiser IR loop system
- Assistance dogs are welcome in the venue

## Food & Catering

- The Stables is situated in a rural setting and food outlets are within a few minutes' drive away.
- We do not have an in-house kitchen for touring companies to use; we do have a microwave and kettle for use in the green room.

## Dressing Room

- 1 x eight person capacity Dressing/Green Room with comfortable seating
- Toilet/washing facilities are front of house

## Wardrobe

- Washer, dryer and ironing facilities are available to use at no charge.

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## **Smoking**

- There is a strict no smoking policy in place in the whole venue.

## **Mobile Phones**

- Most mobile phone networks work in the theatre.

## **Security**

- The green room is not manned.

## **Fire**

- There is a full fire alarm system in place, with detectors in every room. Companies are asked to seek advice from the duty manager re: the use of any electrical equipment, if the fire alarm is activated please leave the building via the fire exit signs

## **Evacuation Point**

- If the theatre is evacuated for any particular reason, then the backstage evacuation point is the Stables top car park.

## **First Aid**

- A first Aid Box can be found behind the coffee bar in the foyer, the duty manager is the first aider on site.