

UGA PERFORMING ARTS CENTER (PAC)  
FIRE CODE & PATRON SAFETY POLICY

ALL AREAS

- **THE USE AND LOCATION OF TABLES, CHAIRS, MUSIC STANDS, NON-HANDHELD MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS, AND OTHER NON-HANDHELD EQUIPMENT ANYWHERE IN THE BUILDING OTHER THAN ONSTAGE MUST BE EXPLICITLY APPROVED ON A CASE BY CASE BASIS BY ONE OF THE FOLLOWING PAC STAFF, WITH NO EXCEPTIONS: PRODUCTION MANAGER, STAGE MANAGER, OR HOUSE MANAGER**
- No objects may obstruct a door or set of doors marked with an EXIT sign
- No objects may be placed where they will block a path of egress
- Objects that may partially block a wide path of egress (i.e. near the railing on the top level of the lobby or the Ramsey Hall balcony upstage of the stage) must be removed immediately following use

HODGSON HALL

- Use of tables, chairs, music stands, non-handheld musical instruments, and other non-handheld equipment in the Hodgson Hall balcony will preclude patron seating in the balcony. If such objects are to be used in the balcony, all entryways to the balcony must remain locked and no access to patrons will be allowed, with NO EXCEPTIONS.
- Placement of musicians with handheld instruments in the balcony is allowable, and the balcony may remain open to patrons IF all associated equipment is removed IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING USE. Placement of musicians and/or music stands anywhere in the house (balcony or orchestra level) must not obstruct the paths of egress, and therefore must be placed within rows of seating and not behind.

RAMSEY HALL

- Use of tables, chairs, music stands, non-handheld musical instruments, and other non-handheld equipment WILL NOT BE PERMITTED in any path of egress including the entire balcony level—any such objects may only be placed within a row of seats or in place of moveable seats along a row.

THESE POLICIES ARE IN ACCORDANCE WITH FIRE CODE AND LIFE SAFETY CODE OBSERVED BY THE STATE OF GEORGIA: National Fire Protection Association NFPA 101 (primary) including state adopted amendments 120-3-3, and International Code Council ICC (secondary). Failure to adhere to these policies may result in death or injury in event of an emergency, and liability and prosecution including fines and jail time.

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