



A LIVING ROOM THEATRE SPACE



For Artists who do not like to behave as expected
This is not a venue hire.
It is an invitation to create an experience.

If you have something you are shaping, testing, or ready to share—we want to hear from you.

By working within 21 Shepherd, you directly support a not-for-profit artistic home dedicated to bold, immersive work that amplifies women's voices and explores memory, resilience and justice.

Location

21 Shepherd Street, Marrickville NSW 2204

ABOUT 21 Shepherd

Located in Sydney's inner west, 21 Shepherd is a 300m² flexible creative hub designed for performance, research, rehearsal, and community gathering. The venue supports dance, music, theatre, and interdisciplinary practice, as well as workshops, talks, and public events.

Facilities

- 300m² open floor space
- Sprung dance floor with Everydance vinyl
- Small PA system (2 speakers)
- Standard lighting state
- Kawai GX-3 Grand Piano ("Olive")
- Kitchen and bathroom facilities
- Chairs, tables, and stools
- Bar
- Two roller-door entry points
- Artists' greenroom

Values & Pricing Structure

Our primary commitment is to independent artists and the provision of affordable space for creative development and presentation.

- Discounted and subsidised rates apply to artistic use only.
- Private functions (e.g. birthdays or celebrations) are charged at full commercial rates to support the sustainability of our not-for-profit operations.

Access Information

Evening Performance Hire

Bump-in from 5:00pm

Venue must be vacated by 10:30pm

Access Fees

(upon application)

Use Includes

- Air conditioning
- Use of kitchen
- Access to Artists' Greenroom
- Use of Kawai GX-3 grand piano (subject to Piano Care Agreement)
- Standard lighting state
- Bar access (managed by LRT)

Event Marketing Support

- LRT Website listing
- EDM inclusion
- Social media promotion
- What's On listings (Inner West Council & City of Sydney)
- A1 poster displayed outside the venue (+\$25)

Ticketing

Artists may choose to:

- Manage their own ticketing, or
- Have LRT manage ticketing, or
- Split (own ticketing + LRT POS)

Artists retain 100% of box office income, minus ticketing platform fees.

House Rules

- LRT holds an On-Premises Liquor Licence. Alcohol may only be consumed if purchased through LRT.
- Only suitable footwear is permitted on the Tarkett floor. No items that may damage the surface.
- The venue must be left clean and returned to its original condition.
- An LRT staff member must be onsite at all times during hire.

Standard Terms & Conditions

Payment

- Full payment is required prior to commencement of hire.
- Payment by direct transfer is available for bookings made at least seven (7) days in advance, following receipt of an invoice.
- A 50% deposit may be required at the discretion of LRT management.

Cancellation

- Seven (7) days' notice is required to cancel a confirmed booking.
- Less than seven (7) days' notice: 50% of total hire fee charged.
- Less than twenty-four (24) hours' notice: 100% of total hire fee charged.
- All cancellations incur a 20% administration fee.

LRT Obligations

- Maintain public liability insurance for the venue.
- Provide access to the venue during the agreed hire period.

Hirer Obligations

The Hirer agrees to:

- Obtain and maintain all required insurances, including public liability and workers compensation where applicable.
- Adhere strictly to booking times. Council approval requires compliance with operating hours of 9:00am–10:30pm.
- Ensure the named individual or organisation is actively involved in the approved activity.
- Not sub-let the space or use it for purposes other than those agreed.
- Treat the venue, equipment, and heritage features with care.
- Notify LRT immediately of any damage.

- Respect neighbours and maintain legal noise limits (maximum 5dB audible outside the premises).
- Observe a strict no smoking policy on the premises.
- Remove all rubbish and return the venue to its original condition. Cleaning fees apply if additional cleaning is required.
- Secure the venue at the end of hire, including switching off air conditioning, closing windows, and locking doors.
- Not affix materials to walls, floors, or fittings without written approval.
- Not interfere with electrical, lighting, or sound systems.
- Comply immediately with instructions in response to complaints from neighbours or authorities.

Failure to comply may result in immediate termination of hire without refund and may incur additional costs or penalties.

Termination

LRT reserves the right to terminate hire if these conditions are breached.

Access & Induction

First-time hirers will receive an induction covering access, security, and venue operations.

Thank you for considering our home