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Disabled Access Guide for the Little Theatre

Introduction

The Little Theatre is one of four Student Union venues which serve the Edinburgh University Student Association (EUSA). The theatre seats 300 and stages regular theatre and dance performances as well as comedy acts and live opera. In addition to the theatre the building houses a box office, two bars and, is a means of access to several rooms which are bookable through the EUSA for society use.

Location

The Little Theatre is located within what is referred to as the Central Campus of the University of Edinburgh which is well served by public transport. The building is within approximately a quarter of a mile of the city centre and is within approximately one mile of the main student residences at Pollock Halls.

The nearest railway line is at Waverley Station in the city centre.

The nearest operational bus stops are located on Holyrood Road approximately 230 metres from the Little Theatre. The number 36 Lothian bus service stops on Holyrood Road (see map on the following page) and numerous other services stop on South Bridge. Details of timetables are available from Lothian Buses, from their offices within the city and online from: http://www.mybustracker.co.uk.

Persons arriving by vehicle can access the Little Theatre via the Cowgate, Holyrood Road, East Adam Street or St Leonard’s Street (see map on the following page). The postcode for satellite navigation systems is EH8 9TJ.

Persons with mobility difficulties and wheelchair users are able to access the building at the main entrance or the secondary entrance, which are both located within the Pleasance Courtyard (see map on the following page). However, assistance may be required and is recommended for wheelchair users.
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Little Theatre Perspective View

Key
- LITTLE THEATRE
- Public Transport Bus Stop
- Vehicle Access Routes
- Main Entrance Access Point (Threshold Ramp)
- Secondary Entrance Access Point (Threshold Ramp)
- Disabled Parking Bay (Permit)
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## Parking

Within the Central Campus there are numerous parking spaces. Anyone wishing to park within a university bay must display a valid parking permit. This includes staff, students, visitors and contractors.

There are three university car parks located within approximately 120 metres of the Little Theatre. The closest car park is located within the Pleasance Courtyard adjacent the Little Theatre (see location map). This car park does not contain disabled parking facilities and the surface comprises granite setts which is not well suited for wheelchair users, but is negotiable with care. Assistance may be required and is recommended for wheelchair users who intend to use this car park.

The second university car park is located to the front of the Sports & Exercise Centre (see location map). This car park contains a disabled parking bay, however, access from this car park to the Little Theatre is via a footpath which is of a moderate gradient and incorporates three steps.

The third university car park is located to the side of the Sports & Exercise Centre (see location map). This car park does not contain disabled parking facilities and access from this car park to the Little Theatre is via a footpath which is of a moderate gradient and which does not incorporate drop kerbs.
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If you intend to use any of the aforementioned car parks please **pay due care and attention for moving vehicles.**

If you do not hold a valid permit and require use of a university bay, it is recommended that contact is made with Transport & Parking prior to your journey (see contact information page).

There are several City of Edinburgh Council ‘pay and display’ parking bays located along East Adam Street approximately 90 metres from the Little Theatre (see location map). The bay surface comprises granite setts and there are limited drop kerbs to the adjacent footpaths.

**Outside Access**

Please note that there is a steep gradient at the base of the Pleasance leading up from Holyrood Road and most of the footpaths along the Pleasance do not incorporate drop kerbs.
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The Little Theatre has two operational entrances which are both located within the Pleasance Courtyard (see location map). Pedestrian access to the Pleasance Courtyard from the Pleasance is via an arched pend and vehicle exit route which comprises granite setts.

![Pedestrian access route to the Pleasance](image)

If you intend to access the Little Theatre via the aforementioned route, please **pay due care and attention for moving vehicles.**

The main entrance comprises two outer double width doors which open outwards, incorporate a threshold ramp at the base and precede two inner glass double width doors which are heavy and open both inwards and outwards. There is a doorbell located immediately before and to the left of the main entrance doors which can be used to gain assistance when the outer doors are closed.

![Main entrance](image)

The secondary entrance comprises a double width outer door which also opens outwards and incorporates a threshold ramp at the base. The outer door precedes a double width inner door which opens outwards.
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Whilst all of the aforementioned entrance doors are operated manually, the outer doors at both the main and secondary entrances are usually fastened open during opening hours.

If you are a wheelchair user or have mobility difficulties and intend to access the Little Theatre, it is recommended that contact is made with Building Management prior to your journey (see contact information page). Wheelchair access to this building is not currently recommended without assistance.

**Internal Access**

Upon entering the Little Theatre at the secondary entrance, there is a small ramp located immediately within the building which has handrails to both sides.

There is internal access between the Little Theatre and the adjoining buildings 48 Pleasance and 60 Pleasance.
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48 Pleasance houses the University of Edinburgh Sports Union and two independent sporting organisations which include the Scottish Volleyball Association and Scottish Student Sport. Upon entering the Little Theatre at the main entrance access to 48 Pleasance is possible via two routes; one of which is via numerous steps and the other which is via a platform lift (see floor plans).

60 Pleasance houses several rooms which are bookable through EUSA for society use. Upon entering the Little Theatre at the main entrance 60 Pleasance can be accessed by proceeding to the first floor via the main stairwell, then along a linking corridor (see floor plans).

**Box Office Reception**

There is a box office reception located close by the main entrance (see ground floor plan).

- The box office reception desk is suitable for approach by wheelchair users and has a lowered section to the right.

- Lighting levels at the desk are good.

- There is not a call point.

- There is not a hearing loop.

![Box office reception desk](image)

**Lift**

There is a platform lift located within the Little Theatre which provides access between the ground and first floor levels (see floor plans).

- The platform lift requires a key to operate.
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- The key for the platform lift is held at the box office reception.
- The lift incorporates a visual floor indicator, an audible announcer and an emergency call point.

If you intend to use the platform lift, it is recommended that contact is made with Building Management prior to arrival (see contact information page).

**Stairs**

All floors are accessible by stairs.

- The main stairwells do not incorporate colour contrasting nosings.
- All other stairs have colour contrasting nosings.
- All stairwells have a handrail to one or both sides.
- The lighting level in stairwells is fair.

**Toilets**

There is an accessible toilet located off the main entrance lobby (see ground floor plan).

- There is limited circulation space leading to the accessible toilet.
- The accessible toilet contains limited left hand lateral transfer space and limited manoeuvring space.
- There is an emergency pull chord alarm.
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- The door opens outwards.
- The width of the accessible toilet door is suitable for wheelchair users.
- There are suitable dropdown and support rails for transfer.
- The tap type is lever operation.
- There is a coat hook.
- The contrast between the grab rails and walls is not good.
- The contrast between the walls and floor is good.
- The lighting level in the cubicle is fair.

Ground floor accessible toilet cubicle

Standard male and female toilets are located on all floors (see ground floor plan).
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Standard Female Toilet |
| **Ground Floor** | Box Office Reception  
Pleasance Bar  
Cabaret Bar  
Accessible Toilet  
Standard Toilets |
| **Basement Floor** | Standard Male Toilet |
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Floor Plans

Key

- Standard Toilet
- M Male

Little Theatre - Basement Floor Plan
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Little Theatre - Ground Floor Plan
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Key
- Standard Toilet
- Female

Little Theatre - Second Floor Plan
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**Opening Hours**

For up to date opening hours please visit: http://www.eusa.ed.ac.uk/eatdrink/pleasance/bars/

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- University Homepage
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- Bookable Rooms Guides
- Student Disability Service
- Edinburgh University Students' Association
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