

Covid-19 Pandemic Safety Precautions Guidelines for SOU Performance Venues Revised as of 10-25-21

The SOU Music Recital Hall and the theatre venues will be available for performances at full capacity as of October 31, 2021. **Patrons must meet the following requirement for entry into all SOU performance venues: 1) proof of vaccination or, 2) proof of negative test within 48 hours.** In addition, patrons will be required to wear masks while inside our venues, lobbies, and entrances before, during, and after the performance.

Intermissions still are not permitted, and patrons are not allowed to congregate in lobby areas before and after performances.

At each performance, patrons will be required to either show Proof of Vaccination or provide a Negative COVID Test result taken within 48 hours of entry to the on-campus performances.

Proof of Vaccination for Performance Patrons/Audience Members

Patrons/audience members must show COVID-19 Vaccination Card and photo ID (paper vaccination card or clear photo of it on a phone). Vaccination is defined as two doses of Moderna or Pfizer, or one dose of Johnson & Johnson, and at least 14 days have passed since your final dose. SOU employees and students may show their covid vaccination sticker on their SOU ID card.

Proof of Negative Test for Performance Patrons/Audience Members

If a patron/audience member is unable to show Proof of Vaccination, they may provide a Proof of a PCR Covid-19 Negative Test result taken within 48 hours prior to entry and photo ID or a negative rapid antigen test taken within 12 hours of the performance and photo ID.

Performers and Stage Technicians

Performers will be able to be unmasked on-stage in the SOU Music Recital Hall or SOU theaters but must present one of the following to the sponsor organization if the concert or event is being presented by an external organization:

- Proof of full vaccination completed at least 14 days prior to the performance date, OR
- A negative PCR COVID-19 test taken within 48 hours of the performance, OR
- A negative rapid antigen test taken within 12 hours of the performance.

External presenting organizations must verify in writing with the House Manager 24 hours prior to the performance that the on-stage performers have met this requirement. It is recommended that non-wind performers remain masked on stage. Masks still will be required for all in backstage areas including the Green Rooms.

If the event is being presented by a SOU entity, performers need a photocopy or digital photo of their vaccination card or test results form to be on file with the university as required by university policy and must follow the previous stated policy for performers. SOU students and employees can show a covid vaccination sticker on their ID card.

Restrictions or Changes to Policy

For present purposes, our intention is to enforce the recommendations currently in place from the OHA and CDC. In addition, as the data on the spread of the virus continues to necessitate change, we expect that SOU facilities will comply with any mandates issued by the State of Oregon related higher education activities, entertainment spaces, and other mandates applicable to the general public should they be implemented.

Finally, SOU reserves the right to implement any restrictions or changes to policy it deems necessary to ensure the safety of the people and operations on our campus. While any restrictions SOU may decide to impose will not be arbitrary in their adoption, external users of the venues will need to be prepared to adapt to those in the event such restrictions are developed, and SOU cannot be held liable for any lost revenue or penalties.

Performance Patron FAQs

How do I show proof of being fully vaccinated?

A paper vaccination card or phone image copy will be accepted. An ID must be shown with it for verification. SOU employees and students can show a covid vaccination sticker on their SOU ID.

How do I show proof of a negative COVID test result?

Only official test results from a certified clinic will be accepted. At-home, self-administered tests will NOT be accepted as proof.

What if I forget my proof of vaccination or my official test results?

If you forget your proof of vaccination or test results, you will not be permitted in the performance venues.

What if I already had COVID?

You must still show proof of vaccination or a negative COVID test result prior to being permitted in our venue.

What if I test positive for COVID?

You will not be permitted in the performance venues if you have a positive COVID test.

What if I have a medical condition that excludes me from being vaccinated or have a ticket for a child under 12?

Anyone 5 and older who cannot show proof of vaccination must provide a negative COVID test result taken within 48 hours of the event. Children 2-4 years of age are not required to show proof of vaccination or a negative COVID test but will be required to wear masks while at the venue.