

Stage Terms

SL (Stage Left)	The left side from the performer's point of view
SR (Stage Right)	The right side from the performer's point of view
Upstage	The back of the stage
Downstage	The front of the stage
Cyc	A white/natural color flat muslin panel at the back of the stage
Front Wash	Light that illuminates a performer's front
Top Light	Light the points directly down onto performers
Side Light	Light that comes from SL or SR to illuminate a performer's side profile
Cyc Light	A very broad wash of light used to light the cyc
Percentage	How bright a light is (ex. 0% is off, 100% is at full brightness)
Bump Cue	A lighting cue that instantly bumps the lighting up to a brighter level (a time of 0 seconds). Usually at the end of a musical number to draw the applause.
Battens	A bar that holds hanging items (ex. stage curtains) and can be flown in and out of the stage area
Booms	Vertical pipes that hold lighting instruments (usually in the stage wings)
Fly In	Bringing a batten down closer to the stage floor
Fly Out	Bringing a batten up away from the stage floor