

WIGTOWN COUNTY BUILDINGS

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General Information

Address: County Buildings, South Main St, Wigtown, Newton Stewart, Wigtownshire DG8 9JH

- Venue is at end of town market square. Car parking on street.
- Built 1863 as Court House, Library and Assembly Hall and refurbished in 2003 with library and museum archive rooms.
- Capacity 186 if stage used, up to 120 if performing on floor. Plastic, stacking, non-interlocking chairs – some padded chairs also.
- Mobile reception good.
- Wigtown has most services, other services at Newton Stewart (6 miles).

Hall Details

- Hall Dimensions: 8.05M (26'5") wide x 15.39M (50'6") long – back wall to stage. Height at side walls 5.49M (18') with perpendicular arch-shaped roof rising to approx 8M (26'3") at centre spine.
- Stage: (Modular unit stage but permanently installed) 6M (19'8") wide (4M wide upstage) x 4M (13'2") deep. Height above stage 4.17M (13'8"), height of stage 0.6M (1'11"). No crossover. Access treads (3 steps) off stage left.
- Décor: floor polished light wood; walls light green lower, cream upper; ceiling cream with white mouldings. Window curtains light green.
- Get-in: venue is upstairs (advise getting assistance for large shows), access through side fire exit, 2 double doors, up 4 steps & double doors, along corridor & single door then either use lift on right or up main stairwell (31 steps with 2 turns). Hall is across corridor from lift or stairs with double doors into hall. 0.86M (2'10") wide x 1.96M

(6'5") high (min. dimensions). Some doorways are arched. Approx 35M from van loading area to stage. Can use main building entrance for bulkier items requiring wider access dimensions.

- Acoustics slightly reverberant.
- Blackout good – all windows have lined curtains.
- Heating by wall-recessed radiators.
- Upright piano available. 2 smoke detectors in hall – cannot be isolated.
- Small 6-step A-frame ladder available.

Technical

- Power: 100amp 3-phase incomer in cupboard up-stage right. 2 x 32amp & 2 x 16amp single-phase sockets in same location. Only 4 x twin 13amp sockets in hall (1 under stage right).
- Stage lighting by dimmable roof-lights operated by hall entrance.
- No sound equipment.
- Houselights are wall uplighters switched from cupboard up-stage right.

Backstage

- Lesser Hall, backstage can be used as dressing room.
- Kitchen available
- No separate toilets.





