

The background features a dark blue field with several large, colorful geometric shapes. At the top, there are four semi-circles: red, dark green, light blue, and yellow. Below these, on the left, are a dark green quarter-circle and a yellow quarter-circle. On the right is a light pink semi-circle. At the bottom, there are three semi-circles: red, light pink, and light blue. On the far left is a large light blue circle, and on the far right is a large red circle.

Bristol SU Venue Hire

Venue hire at Bristol SU

Situated in one of the most vibrant cities and best-known universities in the UK, Bristol SU offers a wide range of spaces for a variety of event needs. Whether you would like to host a conference, live performance or meeting, we have the space for you.

The Richmond Building is the home of Bristol SU and our spaces. Situated on Queens Road in Clifton, the Richmond Building is easily accessible to the city centre and other areas of the city via car, foot, and bus.

In 2015, the Richmond building opened after a £30 million revamp and now offers a large event space in the Anson Rooms, two theatres, two bars and a variety of multi-purpose activity rooms. It is a unique facility within the city that offers a wide range of spaces to meet the needs of any event.

This brochure takes you through some of the key spaces Bristol SU can offer and highlights some of the primary uses, but please contact us with your requirements as we are always keen to meet specific needs.



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Anson Rooms



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Anson Rooms

Conference • Performance • Fair • Tradeshow • Fight night • Ball • Dinner • Performance • Film screening

The Anson Rooms is the Bristol SU's largest event space. It is a large, versatile, blank canvas space for private events. This diverse space can be utilised for conferences, dance shows, exhibitions, parties, and more.

Benefiting from copious natural light, the Anson Rooms is flexible, accommodating various layouts and lighting styles, including stage spotlights for performances and brand colours.

Capacities:

Theatre style seated – 540

Cabaret style dinner/dance – 250

Standing reception – 900

Hire fee:

Weekday - **£1,400**

Weekend – **£1,650**

(Half room hire available on weekdays for smaller capacity events)

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“We found your events team the easiest we've worked with and the spaces were versatile and great for a dance event – we can see the event growing and perhaps use more of the spaces. We are so pleased with how it went and would love to book dates for next year.”

- **Bristol Swing Fiesta**



Anson Rooms Bar

Talk • Break out space • Comedy night • Quiz

An incredibly versatile space, the Anson Rooms Bar is situated adjacent to the Anson Rooms providing it with a bar for all manner of events. It can be opened up as part of the main Anson Rooms space or closed for more intimate events. Equipped with its own small stage and lighting it is ideal for talks, open mic and comedy nights.

Also with a built in projector and screen it is the perfect break out space for conferences and away days.

The bar can be opened on request and is subject to a minimum spend.

Capacities:

Theatre style seated – 100

Standing reception – 180

Hire fee:

Weekday – **£500**

Weekend – **£650***

*Hire only available on weekends alongside other spaces



Winston Theatre



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Winston Theatre

Theatre production • Talk • Film screening • Conference • Dance show

Named after former University of Bristol Chancellor Winston Churchill, the theatre is one of our finest performance spaces.

A traditional proscenium arch theatre with dressing rooms, flexible orchestra pit and apron stage, permanent cyclorama, winched lighting bars and versatile hemp bars. Hire includes use of the two dressing rooms, box office and house rig.

As well as performances the Winston is an ideal space for conferences, talks and film screenings. It is equipped with a cinema quality projector and screen.

Capacities:

Theatre style seated – 209

Hire fee:

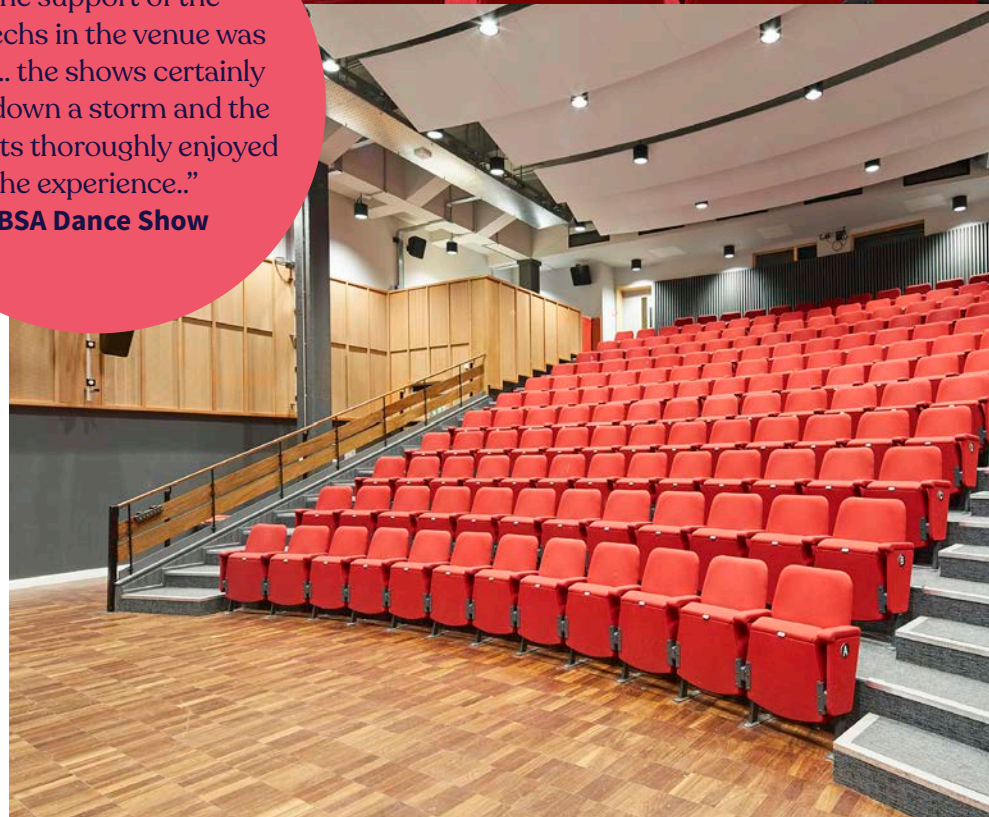
Weekday - £1200

Weekend – £1450

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“The support of the two techs in the venue was great... the shows certainly went down a storm and the students thoroughly enjoyed the experience..”

- BSA Dance Show



Pegg Studio Theatre

Performance • Talk • Dance show • Rehearsals • Breakout space • Film screenings

The Pegg Theatre is a highly adaptable black box theatre space named after Simon Pegg, one of our alumni. It can host a wide variety of performances, from traditional setups to theatre in the round.

As well as shows, the studio is perfect for rehearsals and as an extra breakout space for conferences and shows in the Anson Rooms or Winston Theatre.

Capacities:

Theatre style seated - 80

Standing reception- 100

Hire fee:

Weekday - **£600**

Weekend - **£750**



Carpenter Room

Rehearsals • Breakout space • Activity classes • Workshops

This is a large open-plan room named after women's equality campaigner Mary Carpenter.

It is a multipurpose space with lots of natural light. Perfect for rehearsals, breakout sessions, activity classes and workshops.

Capacities:

Cabaret style - 100

Theatre style seated - 200

Hire fee:

Weekday - **£600**

Weekend - **£750**



Stephenson Room

Meetings • Away days • Breakout session

This is a slightly smaller open-plan room with lots of natural light and is named after Bristol civil rights campaigner Paul Stephenson. It can be used for away-days, breakout sessions and large meetings. It comes equipped with built in “plug and play” projector, screen and speakers.

Capacities:

Theatre style seated - 60

Cabaret style - 40

Standing reception - 60

Hire fee:

Weekday - **£400**

Weekend - **£550***

*Hire only available on weekends alongside other spaces





Odlum Room

Meetings • Away days • Breakout session

This is a smaller room named after the Students' Union's first black president George Odlum. It is ideal for team away days, breakout sessions and meetings.

This room has a touch screen TV and built-in PC.

Capacities:

Theatre style seated - 30

Hire fee:

Weekday - **£250**

Weekend - **£400***

*Hire only available on weekends alongside other spaces



Dance Studio

Rehearsal • Dance lesson

This sprung floored activity space is equipped with floor-length mirrors and a barre. Offering swathes of natural light, the dance studio is an ideal rehearsal space for a range of activities.

Capacities:

Rehearsal space - 25

Hire fee:

Weekday - **£250**

Weekend - **£400***

*Hire only available on weekends alongside other spaces





Inclusions and additional extras

Our spaces generally come as a blank canvas for you to use as needed for your event. We have access to equipment such as tables, chairs, microphones that are included within your hire fee (as long as we know beforehand), there is also a Bristol SU staff member on-site throughout the day to be on hand if you need any help regarding the venue.

Should you need anything additional to what's included within the hire fee, this will be agreed upon beforehand and will need to be paid for on top of your hire fee.

Here are some of the available extras that can be organised at an additional cost...

- Extra duty manager
- In-house technician
- Portering (Furniture set-up, opening and closing building outside of standard times, etc)
- Additional staff to support the event
- Security
- Extra cleaning
- Specific sound/lighting/projection requirements



FAQs

How many hours is included in full and half day hire?

Full day hire is up to 10 hours. Half day hire is up to 5 hours – half hire fees are available upon request.

When are the venues available?

As our venues are used within term times for students, we are only able to hire them outside of term time to external companies. These dates are typically during Spring vacation (March/April) and Summer vacation (June-September), we have limited availability during Winter vacation due to the building being closed over Christmas and New Year.

The Richmond Building, where our venues are situated, is open between 8am – 11pm Monday to Saturday and 10am – 10pm on Sunday. Out of hours hire is available with an extra fee.

Weekend hire is only available with a minimum hire fee of £1,000.

Weekday hires outside of our typical office hours 8am – 6pm will be charged at the weekend rate.

Do the venues have parking?

We can reserve up to 3 vehicles for staff members for your event, this needs to be done in advance and we will require the vehicle registration to get a permit for you.

There is no onsite guest parking at the venue but there is a reasonably priced multi-storey car park within a five minute walk, located at West End Car Park, Berkeley Place, Bristol, BS8 1EH. Alternatively, there is limited on-street parking in the neighbouring residential streets.

What are the catering options?

You are welcome to bring your own food, caterers or soft drinks into the venues.

Alcohol is permitted from the Balloon Bar (our on-site bar). The Balloon Bar is open until 4pm on weekdays outside of term time, if you'd like the Balloon Bar to open for your event, we can discuss with them and gather a quote for you.

Am I able to book the venues on a regular basis?

Unfortunately, due to the availability of the venues (non-term time only) we are unable to provide consistent regular bookings on a weekly/monthly basis. If however, you are looking to book our venue multiple times during our hire period, we should be able to accommodate this at a reduced rate.

Do the venues have AC?

AC is available in the Carpenter Room and Dance Studio only. All other spaces have an air flow circulating system. When it is hot in summer months we advise bringing fans, or borrowing some from us if we have them available.



Get in touch

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of our spaces, get in touch with us
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