

Aerial Booking Guide

If you're new to the aerial arts, welcome - you're in for a treat! Please read these guidelines to get familiar with what you and your venue need to know to book an aerial performer.

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FAQs

What kind of venue do I need to have an aerialist?

Your venue needs some kind of structure that can support aerial rigging (see basic requirements to the right). If you are unsure, Angela can provide referrals to professional riggers who can evaluate your space. You may also send some photos or set up a site-visit for a quick opinion.

What kind of performance can I expect?

Angela will work with you to figure out the best performance format for your event. The standard options are:

- A 5 min, choreographed act using either music that Angela will supply, or any music of your choice
- 10-15 min sets of ambient or atmospheric performance It's up to you how you would like to customize these options, as far as number of sets, style, or even costume and fabric colors.

I want a group of aerialists or a variety of performers. Can you help with that?

Yes! Angela can help coordinate additional aerialists and cirque-style acts of other types, such as acrobats, contortionists, hoop dancers, fire artists, or jugglers.

What about insurance?

Angela has full-coverage performers insurance from Specialty Insurance--the industry standard for freelance aerialists. This covers liabilities such as damage to facilities, injury to audience members, and medical expenses. Insurance certificates specific to the performance venue and event will be provided upon request.

I don't think my venue has any structures for rigging. Is there still a way to have a performance?

Possibly. If your event is outdoors or in a large space with at least 30 ft ceilings, you may be able to arrange for a portable stand-alone aerial rig. There are also some event rental companies that supply tents that can support rigging inside.



Basic Venue Requirements

Rigging Point

The venue must have a structure that supports a minimum load of 5,000 lbs, such as open steel or wood beams, a truss, or a professionally installed rig point.

Ceiling height

There must be a minimum of 14 ft from the floor to the rigging point. 20 ft or higher is ideal.

Safe access to rigging

The venue must provide a lift, ladder, or other method to reach the point where aerial equipment will be attached.



Example of open steel beams