Playhouse Square

What is Playhouse Square?

The nation's launchpad for touring Broadway. An arts district. A downtown economic developer. An arts education leader. A performing arts presenter and producer. One of Cleveland's brightest cultural gems.

Playhouse Square is all of this and more.

Playhouse Square:

- Has an annual economic impact of $359.1 million on the Northeast Ohio region.
- Managed the restoration and renovation of five historic theaters, making Playhouse Square the world's largest theater restoration project. Historic preservation work is ongoing.
- Was the first performing arts organization to establish a Real Estate division.
- Annually receives more than 200,000 hours of community service from 2,000 volunteer ushers.
- Is one of only 23 Dance for PD® Licensed Affiliates worldwide; first in Ohio.
- Is a proud member of Advisory Board for the Arts, The Broadway League, Engage! Cleveland, Global Cultural Districts Network, Independent Presenters Network, Performing Arts Center Consortium, Plexus, and Theater for Young Audiences Tour Development Collective.

Venues

Playhouse Square's five historic theaters were saved from demolition in the 1970s by a grassroots effort that would become the not-for-profit Playhouse Square organization. One of the world's premier arts districts, Playhouse Square attracts 1.2 million guests annually to its 12 performance spaces (year built):

- KeyBank State Theatre (1921)
- Mimi Ohio Theatre (1921)
- Hanna Theatre (1921)
- Allen Theatre (1921)
- Upper Allen (1921)
- Connor Palace (1922)
- Kennedy's Cabaret (1975)
- U.S. Bank Plaza (1996)
- Westfield Studio Theatre (2005)
- Helen Rosenfeld Lewis Bialosky Lab Theatre (2012)
- Outcalt Theatre (2012)
- The City Club of Cleveland (2023)

Playhouse Square's Mission: To be a leader in placemaking, the advancement of arts education, and the presentation and production of performing arts experiences.

