



**FIRST LIGHT**

St. John's Friendship Centre



**First Light Centre for  
Performance & Creativity**

Performance & Venue Services

## ABOUT US:

The First Light Centre for Performance and Creativity is an Indigenous-led not-for-profit, professional arts centre. We operate under the broader umbrella of First Light: St. John's Friendship Centre.

The centre provides a space for the development, exhibition and appreciation of traditional and contemporary art by providing facilities and equipment, professional expertise and a supportive atmosphere for arts creation, presentation, and dissemination. The Centre for Performance and Creativity supports all artistic disciplines with a primary focus on music and performance.

The First Light Centre for Performance & Creativity is committed to cultural preservation and revitalization as a means of reconciliation. The centre aims to advance Indigenous and Non-Indigenous arts alike.

## RENTAL SPACES

The First Light Centre for Performance & Creativity has several rental spaces suitable for events, rehearsals, and performances.

### PERFORMANCE SPACE

Built in 1915, with its Italianate-Tuscan style of architecture, stained glass, 55 foot Byzantine dome ceiling, ramped floor, and curved pew layout, our Performance Space is the perfect location for your next concert or large event. With much of the original architecture still in place, the facility provides a beautiful backdrop and unparalleled acoustics. We are currently working to upgrade the space to further enhance the capacity of this space.



**CAPACITY:** 600 with balcony seating, 400 floor seats only.

**OPPORTUNITIES:** Ideal for performances, keynote speeches, weddings.

## EVENT SPACE

This space is flooded with natural light, and includes beautiful wood features at an affordable rate. Ideal for any event, this space also provides the option to access our commercial kitchen.

**CAPACITY:** 202 empty room, 180 theatre-style seating, 105 banquet dinner table seating, 70 U-shape seating

**OPPORTUNITIES:** Ideal for meetings, workshops, receptions, recitals, rehearsals.



## COMMERCIAL KITCHEN

A large commercial kitchen with state-of-the-art equipment and ample supplies. Ideal if you are preparing food for market or need space for prep for your next event or activity. We offer short and long-term rental of the space.

Please note: that there is an Event Space attached, making this a great facility for dinners, banquets, or even weddings.

**OPPORTUNITIES:** Ideal for small food businesses, market vendors, caterers.



# OTHER SERVICES

The First Light Centre for Performance & Creativity aims to provide the best experience possible to everyone using our space. We are able to customize services to offer you exactly what you need.

## CATERING

Food is an important part of any event. First Light Catering uses traditional Indigenous foods and recipes in a contemporary way to deliver a unique experience for our clients. We are able to accommodate small or large groups as well as any dietary concerns you may have. We source local product and wild game to make your culinary experience truly memorable.

First Light Catering is able to provide:

- Sit down meals
- Boxed lunches
- Buffet style meals
- H'or d'ourvres & finger foods
- Snacks & refreshments

For more information on our catering services, visit [firstlightnl.ca/catering](http://firstlightnl.ca/catering)



## EVENT REGISTRATION AND TICKETING

Handling ticket sales or event registration can be time consuming, frustrating, and difficult to manage. At First Light, we make that process easy, by offering our online registration and ticketing service.

First Light is able to provide:

- Online event registration for both paid and free events
- Waitlist options for events with limited spaces
- Receipt delivery
- Email marketing to registrants

## GRAPHIC DESIGN

A strong marketing plan is essential in successfully executing your event. The Events team and First Light can work with you to ensure that your event is branded and promoted effectively.

First Light is able to provide:

- Poster design
- Event ticket design
- Social media graphic design
- Event signage design

## CULTURAL SERVICES

First Light is the premiere Indigenous service provider in the city. We have a knowledgeable staff who can provide cultural services as requested. There is no fee attached to cultural services, however, we do accept donations that are used to support our social services.

# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

## GETTING HERE

First Light Centre for Performance & Creativity is located in downtown St. John's. We have two main entrances: 42 Bannerman Street, as well as an entrance for our Performance Centre at 81 Cochrane Street.

Several bus routes service the area, including route 2, 10 and 15. For more information on bus routes, visit [www.metrobus.com](http://www.metrobus.com).

## PARKING

As we are located in downtown St. John's, parking can sometimes be a challenge. There is a parking lot with limited spaces at our Bannerman entrance, as well as on-street parking on many of the streets in the area. A parking map will be provided upon booking your event.

## ACCESSIBILITY

First Light strives to provide an accessible and barrier free space to our guests. Designated accessible parking spaces, ramps, and elevators are located on site, and an Event coordinator will be happy to work with you if there are additional requests made that will help to improve the accessibility of your event.