

STAGING REQUIREMENTS

DAVID PRATHER

Star-Spangled Poetry

David Prather and the education staff of the Music Center would like your school/ organization to have as rewarding an arts education experience as possible. The success and safety of the artist depends a great deal on your help and preparation.

- Go over the Staging Requirements on this page carefully. If you do not meet the minimum requirements listed or have questions, please contact your Program Associate at the Music Center.
- Duplicate and distribute the attached Curriculum Connection to all teachers.

Your hard work and attention to detail will allow you and your students to enjoy the benefit of a complete performance, as well as creating a safe environment for the artist. Thank you for giving our staff and artists the opportunity to contribute to your arts education program.

For information regarding programs related to this one, refer to the Music Center's education website.

SAMPLE INTRODUCTION:

"I would like to introduce today's performance which is presented by the Music Center of Los Angeles County. This performance is titled *Star-Spangled Poetry*, and it features actor and author **DAVID PRATHER**. Mr. Prather will perform great American poems that reflect the ideals of our nation - liberty and equality for all. Please welcome **DAVID PRATHER!**"



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PRIOR TO THE PERFORMANCE DAY:

Space:

- 10' x 10' minimum.
- Portable stages must be sturdy and securely lashed, with steps leading up to the stage.

Surface:

- Freshly mopped (not waxed)
- Irregularities covered with tape
- Extraneous clutter removed.

Equipment:

- One microphone with a stand (or wireless body mic if available)
- Sound System w/ CD player (student to run CD player)

Outdoor Performances:

If the performance must be held outdoors, the following conditions must be met. Performance space must be covered so that the artist is:

- shaded
- protected from wind and excess traffic or playground noise.

Good acoustics needed.

A sound system which includes one microphone with a stand (or wireless body mic if available) is required.

ON PERFORMANCE DAY:

Arrival:

- 30 minutes prior to the scheduled start time to prepare and set up.

Parking:

- One space.

Assistance:

- Please have a school representative ready to welcome the performers and to stay and help as needed.

Start Time:

- Please prepare to start the program on time.
- Students should be in the venue, seated and ready to begin at the listed times.