

Fortune Theatre

Fortune History

The Fortune Theatre is one of London's smallest west end theatres with only 432 seats. The theatre was built in 1924 and opened on the 8th November 1924. The Fortune is a grade II listed building and has retained its art deco style. This theatre was named after the original Fortune Theatre at the barbican where Shakespeare once performed. The fortune theatre was designed by Ernest Schaufelberg and was build where a tavern once stood called the Albion Tavern. It was the first theatre to be built after World War I.

The first show to be played here at the fortune was 'Sinners' by Laurence Cowen. The Fortune was home to Women in black since 1989 staying for 33 years! It is now home to the 5-star rated show Operation Mincemeat.



What its like to work at the Fortune

The Fortune Theatre is a small team of unique individuals that you will get to know well. It's a homely theatre with lots of support within the team and company. Everyone is always there to welcome you and help you with any questions you might have. We all help each other out to make the venue the best it can be. From a busy incoming to a quiet admin day in the office its ever changing and an exciting place to be.

Entering the building

To enter the building please head to our stage door where you will sign in. Stage door is located on the left side of the building on crown court. If you are unsure please call stage door on 0207 010 7900.



Closest Tube Stations

- **Covent Garden** is a 4-minute walk for the theatre and is on the Piccadilly line
- **Holborn station** is a 6-minute walk from the station and is on the piccadilly and Central line.
- **Charing Cross station** is an 8-minute walk from the theatre and is on the Bakerloo and Northern line. Southeastern also operate from Charing Cross which connects it to south east London and Kent.
- **Waterloo Station** – 17-minute walk which is on the Northern, Bakerloo, Jubilee and Waterloo & city lines. It is also a main line station out of London.

Car Parking

Taxis and drivers are permitted to drop off patrons outside the Fortune Theatre on Russell Street.

The Theatre is within the London Congestion Charge Zone which applies from 7am until 6pm and costs £11.50 per day. If you are driving to the theatre after 6pm then you will not be charged.

The nearest car park is the Covent Garden Parker Street car park. Parking costs £24 for 2-4 hours and the car park is open 24hrs a day.

