

## **Sō Percussion Studio COVID-19 Policies and Protocols**

**20 Grand Ave., #205 Brooklyn, NY 11205**

**As we move forward into our 21-22 season, Sō Percussion is committed to the safety of all of its staff, artists, patrons, and guests. We feel that we have created a system of protocols that comply with all of the best practices of both NYC Health and the CDC (Center for Disease Control and Prevention). The success of our plans relies on the commitment from all relevant constituencies to comply with our COVID-19 protocols.**

**The following policies and procedures apply to all staff, artists, patrons, and guests.**

**The following policies are reviewed and will be updated regularly.  
(dated: March 16, 2022)**

- All guests visiting our studio must show proof of their vaccination against COVID-19.
- If you are unvaccinated, feel ill, or are experiencing any of the following symptoms we ask that you do not come to the studio. Symptoms included but not limited to are: coughing, fever, shortness of breath, body aches, headaches, sore throat, recent inability to taste and smell, diarrhea, fatigue, vomiting and/or abdominal pain, and chills.
- The use of PPE, including facemasks is optional while in the studio, with the following exceptions:
  - When instructed by Sō Percussion, Inc. following a recent positive test for COVID-19 or when identified as a close contact.
  - If more than 10 persons are in the studio.
  - Continue to carry a mask with you at all times in the event you are in one of the above situations.
  - Should it be needed, a disposable mask will be made available to you.
- For visiting ensembles and groups:
  - Masks are optional but required if more than 10 persons are in the studio.
  - Social distancing is highly recommended when possible.

- Studio rehearsals and rentals will be staggered by no less than 30 minutes apart to help with studio transitions and to limit contact between guests and to ensure proper air filtration.

## Vaccination Status

- All staff, artists, patrons, and guests will be required to prove their vaccination status through the [COVID-19 Liability Release Waiver](#). (Hard copies of the waiver will be on standby in the event that a guest does not have a smart device.)
- Proof of vaccination may include:
  - NYC Covid Safe App: [Android](#) | [iOS](#)
  - [Excelsior Pass](#)
  - [CDC Vaccination Card](#)
  - [NYC Vaccination Record](#)
  - An official immunization record from outside NYC or the U.S.
- If you received the vaccine outside the U.S., you must have an official immunization record that includes:
  - First name and last name
  - Date of birth
  - Vaccine product name (only [vaccines authorized by the WHO](#) and/or the FDA are acceptable)
  - Date(s) administered
  - Site where the vaccine was administered, or name of the person who administered it
- Should you experience any COVID-19 symptoms or test positive for COVID-19 following your event at the studio please fill out this [Contact Tracing Form](#).
- Find a location to get tested near you [here](#).

## Testing

- Should you feel ill or are experiencing any of the following symptoms we ask that you consider taking a COVID test. Symptoms included but not limited to are: coughing, fever, shortness of breath, body aches, headaches, sore throat, recent inability to taste and smell, diarrhea, fatigue, vomiting and/or abdominal pain, and chills.

- Please let us know if you test positive and have been in attendance or in contact with any staff, artists, patrons, and guests at the Sō Percussion Studio.
- Testing and results found at your local health care providers, pharmacies, and government facilities (including mobile and pop-up testing sites) will be accepted. Find a location to get tested near you [here](#).

## Cleaning Procedures

- All spaces inside the studio are thoroughly cleaned and sanitized daily.
- Our HVAC system currently uses Blueair 411 and 211 air filters which filter the air at the industry-recommended rate of 4.8x an hour (or about every 12.5 minutes) to effectively lower particle levels and maintain a comfortable environment. Air filters are inspected and replaced on a regular basis.

## Discrimination Complaints

- You have a right to be free from discrimination or harassment. If you believe you have been discriminated against because of who you are, including your race, national origin or disability, contact the [NYC Commission on Human Rights](#).

## Exemption Requests

- Artists, patrons, and guests visiting the studio for a reserved rehearsal or event with Sō Percussion Employees or Staff present may be provided a medical or religious exemption from vaccination.
- All guests who have rented and/or are rehearsing in the studio without Sō Percussion Employees or Staff present may apply for proof of exemption.
  - If you have a medical or religious exemption, you may still utilize and visit the Sō percussion studio with proof of your exemption.
  - Proof of exemption may be requested through the [COVID-19 Liability Release Waiver](#).

## Failure to comply

- Everyone must complete and sign Sō Percussion's [COVID-19 Liability Release Waiver](#) prior to your arrival to our studio.
- The success of our upcoming season is contingent upon every individual's compliance with all policies mentioned above. Failure to comply with these policies may lead to curtailment of responsibilities, reduction of privileges or immediate termination or expulsion.