

Local 728

Weekly Digest

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In The Spotlight this week!

Radford Accident & Local Response Update Further Employer Response Update

I wanted to update you on what's been happening with regards to the perms on the studio lots as well as the non-union facilities. This is by no means comprehensive, but will seek to inform you of what's currently happening. Please see last week's weekly digest for a more comprehensive assessment.

Universal Labor Relations Statement: "I connected with our safety folks yesterday, coincidentally while they were in the middle of conducting an especially rigorous inspection of all stage catwalk systems. This was done out of an abundance of caution after the recent tragedy, and this inspection was in addition to the regular and frequent structural and safety inspections they perform. I cannot overemphasize how seriously everyone takes safety here."

Safety and Training Director Alan Rowe has reached out to numerous other jurisdictions to both inform and assess stages across the country. This is a collective effort of the officers, staff, executive board, the stewards, trustees, The International, and the membership to assure that this never happens again. Every member of this union and the Alliance should go home safe.

We will continue doing the work and keeping you posted. If you see something, say something.

Please stay safe and take care of each other.

In solidarity,

Greg Reeves
Business Representative-Secretary
Lighting Technicians IATSE Local 728



3/3 Rally ahead of Basic Agreement Negotiations With The AMPTP

IATSE, the Teamsters, and the Hollywood Basic Crafts will host a pre-negotiations kickoff rally on Sunday, March 3rd at Woodley Park in Encino. All the below-the-line unions are committed to addressing the unique priorities of each craft, and we are united in our fight, or our mission, to win on issues that affect all of us like economics, sustainable health and retirement benefits, safe working conditions on and off set, among other issues.

This rally is an opportunity to show the collective power and resilience of film and tv workers, and ensure the important contribution to filmmaking each craft behind-the-scenes brings is recognized.

The rally is open to all of Hollywood labor as a show of solidarity and support for this year's bargaining cycle in Hollywood. For those who cannot attend, this rally will also be livestreamed. More information regarding the livestream will be forthcoming.

WHAT: Negotiations Kick-Off Crewmember Rally with Speaker program including prominent Labor Leaders.

WHO: Organizing Unions are IATSE, Teamsters, IBEW, OPCMIA, LiUNA! and UA on behalf of their members about to enter negotiations with the AMPTP. All of Hollywood Labor are welcomed and encouraged to attend.

WHERE: Woodley Park Section 1: 6076 Woodley Ave, Encino, CA 91316

WHEN: Sunday, March 3rd Start Time: 10AM Speaker Program: 11AM – 12PM

Register to receive full speaker line-up, rally updates and parking information.

RSVP: <https://iatse.co/2024-contract-kickoff>

★ RALLY ★



NOTHING MOVES WITHOUT

THE CREW

WOODLEY PARK

★★★ 6076 WOODLEY AVE, ENCINO, CA ★★★

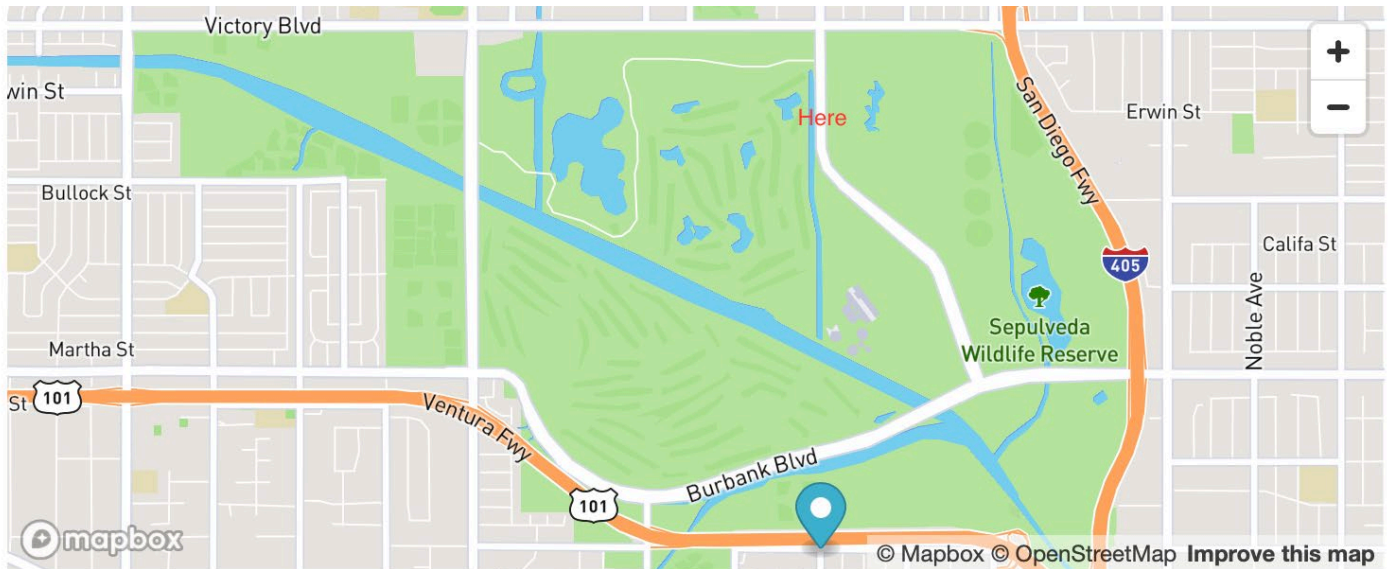
★★ **MARCH 3, 2024** AT **10 AM** ★★



LiUNA!



MANY CRAFTS. ONE FIGHT.



2024 IATSE-AMPTP Pre-Bargaining Update #1

Click on the link below to read the Pre-Bargaining Update #1.

[2024 IATSE-AMPTP Pre-Bargaining Update - IATSE](#)

New Basic Agreement Website can be found:

[IATSE 2024 Basic Agreement | Many Crafts, One Fight!](#)



2021 Local 728 Agreement

We have received the 2021 Local 728 Agreement. It is now available on the website. One major change is rate schedules for New Media/Streaming in the back of the book. We will have a motion for the membership to consider at the March General Membership Meeting.

[Contracts, Negotiations, & Wages | IATSE Local 728 \(iatse728.org\)](#)



The CAT Team is coming for you!

WTF is a CAT you ask?

- A CAT is the structure through which we listen to, inform, and organize our members to help win the best contract possible.
- The CAT needs to support the work our bargaining team is doing at the negotiations table.
- The CAT provides two-way communications between Local 728 and our members.

For more information, please contact Dan Vetanovetz: vetanovetz@gmail.com



2024 Bargaining Update

The IATSE Bargaining committee made up of elected officers and rank-and-file are nearing the end of proposal drafting and will be submitting a comprehensive package to the AMPTP next week. IATSE Local 728 Bargaining Dates will be scheduled soon!

Bargaining of the Agreement set for March 4th!



Upcoming Events

IATSE Runners Firecracker 2024

Member Dessie Coale made a team for the LA Chinatown Firecracker run this year (one that many L728 did last year). She's doing the 5K but you can do any of these events with the team name she created – "IATSE Runners"

Come show your solidarity as we enter the final weeks of 2024 Bargaining preparation!

- Saturday, February 24th -Bike and Paw'er Dog Walk & Sunday, February 25th-5K & 10K Runs/Walks, Kiddie Run

[L.A. Chinatown Firecracker](#)
[5K/10K/Kiddie/PAW'er Dog Run/Walk & Bike](#)
[Ride \(runsignup.com\)](#)



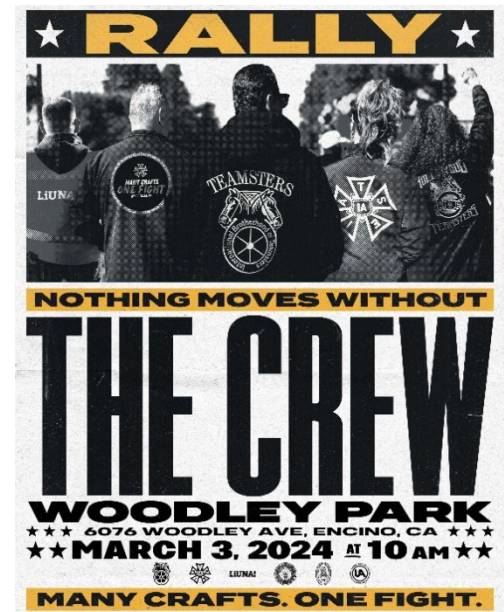
Negotiations Kickoff Rally

'Many Crafts, One Fight' Rally to Kick off Crew Unions' Negotiations With The AMPTP

- Sunday, March 3rd
- Location: Woodley Park – Section 1 | 6076 Woodley Ave. | Encino, CA 91316
- Time: 10AM-12PM

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FREE T-Shirts for Local 728 Members (while supplies last)

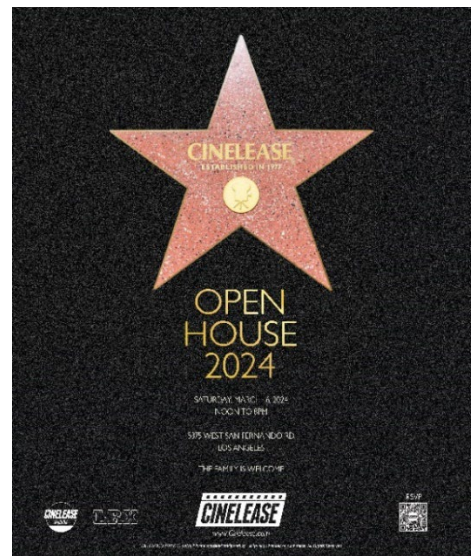


CINELEASE Open House

CINELEASE is opening its doors for a day of special guests, games, live music, conversation, tech, and more! Come with friends or bring the family and enjoy the day.

- Saturday, March 16th
- Location: 5375 West San Fernando RD | Los Angeles, CA 90039
- Complementary Valet Parking
- Time: Noon-8PM PDT

[Cinelease Open House Tickets, Sat, Mar 16, 2024 at 12:00 PM | Eventbrite](#)



In Memoriam

Celebration of Life for Jim Moody

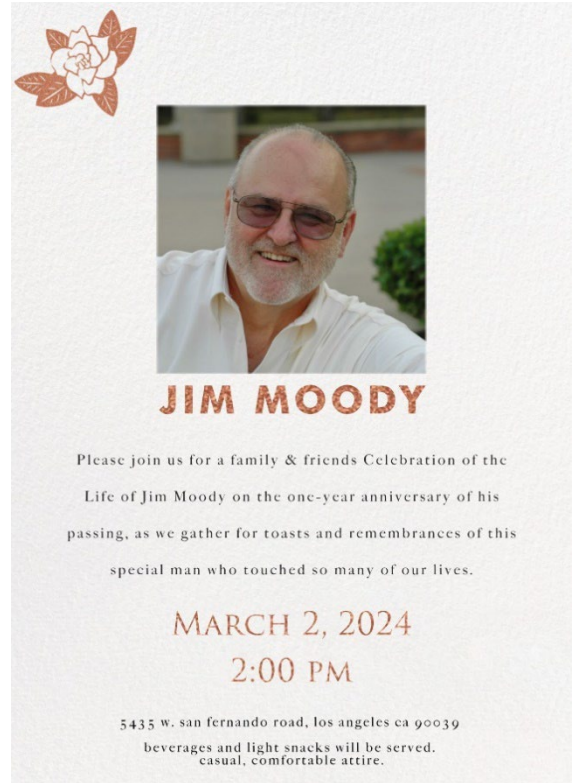
Join us to celebrate the life of Jim Moody on the one-year anniversary of his passing.

Date: March 2, 2024

Time: 2PM

Location: 5435 W. San Fernando Road | Los Angeles, CA 90039

[You're invited to "Jim Moody Celebration of Life."](#)
[Tap here to RSVP - Paperless Post Card](#)



Celebrate **Black History Month**

2024