

Local 728

Weekly Digest

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In The Spotlight this week!

**Bargaining Update: Negotiations to continue soon. Dates TBD.
Teamsters and Basic Crafts start Monday.**

Dear Local 728 members,

On the morning of the anniversary of D-Day, we reached the end of scheduled bargaining dates for the Hollywood Basic Agreement. Talks remain productive and ongoing with further dates to be scheduled as soon as next week. The Basic Negotiating Committee and the studios have reached consensus on a number of issues. But we continue to hold onto our top priorities. There's a lot at stake and a lot of stakeholders which is why it's taking a lot of time to close.

As a reminder, the benefits portion of the agreement, related to the Motion Picture Industry Pension and Health Plan (MPIPHP), is being negotiated jointly by the IATSE's 13 West Coast Studio Locals as well as IATSE Locals 52, 161, and 839, and the Hollywood Basic Crafts including the Teamsters, IBEW Local 40, Laborers Local 724 (LiUNA!), Plumbers Local 78 (UA) and Plasterers & Masons Local 755 (OPCMIA).

I remain determined to get a deal you will want to ratify. I ask you to remain patient and strong.

[Negotiations Update: IATSE, AMPTP To Schedule Additional Dates to Close Hollywood Basic Agreement - IATSE](#)

In solidarity,

Greg Reeves
Business Representative - Secretary
Lighting Technicians IATSE Local 728



Negotiations Update: IATSE, AMPTP Conclude Scheduled Talks on Area Standards Agreement

The International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees (IATSE) concluded the second of two scheduled weeks of Area Standards Agreement (ASA) negotiations with the Alliance of Motion Picture and Television Producers (AMPTP) on Saturday.

Read the full article:

[Negotiation Update: IATSE, AMPTP Conclude Scheduled Talks on Area Standards Agreement - IATSE](#)

Updates and Announcements available on the Basic Agreement Website:

<https://basic.iatse.net/>

Or Area Standards Agreement website:

<https://www.asa.iatse.net/>

Local 728 Bulletin

Now available on the website!

In this issue:

- Negotiations Committee
- Women United Across Locals Mixer
- May Day March Rally
- Much More!

Log-in required to view content:

[The Bulletin No.3 2024 | IATSE Local 728 \(iatse728.org\)](#)



Do you want to play a role in a better contract?

728's Contract Action Team (CAT) needs your help. The CAT is a web of members interested in getting the latest information on our contract negotiations and sharing it with other members.

You can find more information by emailing local728cat@gmail.com or hoping our discord: <https://discord.gg/TzEXPdQufe>





Upcoming Events

Stamp Out Hunger – Volunteers Needed

Labor Community Services needs volunteers to help sort and organize the food that will assist families facing food insecurities. See details below.

When: May 20th-July 1st

Time: 8AM – 1PM & 1PM - 4PM (2 shifts)

Location: Salvation Army | 5600 Rickenbacker Road, Bldg 1D | Bell, CA 90201

Volunteer Sign-Up: <https://lcs-la.org/stamp-out-hunger>

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Help Labor Community Services sort out the donated food that was collected during this year's Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive!

**MONDAY - SATURDAY
MAY 20TH - JULY 1ST
2 TIME SHIFTS
8:00 AM - 1:00 PM
1:00 PM - 4:00 PM**

**SALVATION ARMY
5600 RICKENBACKER ROAD, BLDG 1D
BELL, CA 90201**

TAKE MANSFIELD WAY & CONTINUE ON THE ROAD TO DESTINATION

To Sign Up To Volunteer, Please Sign Up At
<https://lcs-la.org/stamp-out-hunger>

For Organizations and Groups Who Would Like To Volunteer, Please Contact Marcos Juan at
 (323) 620-3030 | marcos@lcs-la.org

Cine Gear Expo LA 2024

Cine Gear Expo is the premier event for professionals engaged in the film and entertainment technology industry. Taking place June 7th – 9th with exhibits June 7th – 8th at Warner Bros. Studios, Cine Gear features exhibits, new product and service introductions, complimentary seminars led by industry leaders, and ample opportunity to network with peers, all within a comfortable studio environment.

- **June 7th – 8th** - Exhibits, Premier Seminars, Screenings Special Events, Awards Presentations
- **June 9th** - Master Classes

Updates to the exhibitor list, event map, schedule, presentation topics, and speakers will be posted to the website regularly. <http://www.cinegearexpo.com>

Attendee Registration is open. All attendees must complete the Cine Gear Badge online registration process.

<https://www.cinegearexpo.com/la-expo/registration/>
[LA Expo](#) | [Cine Gear Expo](#)



ADG Local 800- June Blood Drive

Local 800 will be hosting a Blood Drive for Children's Hospital Los Angeles. They are hoping to reach a goal of helping 100 patients.

This year, the CHLA Therapy Dogs will be visiting from 11AM-3PM and there will be opportunities to win raffle prizes!

When: Friday, June 21st

Where: Art Directors Guild | 11969 Ventura Blvd, 1st Floor | Studio City, CA 91604

Appointments Available: 10AM- 4PM

Appointments: [Make an Appointment - CHLA Blood Donor Center \(chladonateblood.org\)](#)

[Blood Donor Qualifications](#)

SIGN UP TO
DONATE BLOOD TODAY!

DATE
JUNE 21, FRI

TIME
10AM-4PM

HOSTED BY
ART DIRECTORS GUILD

LOCATION
11969 Ventura Blvd.
Studio City, 91604

TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT, VISIT
CHLADONATEBLOOD.ORG OR CALL US AT 823-361-2441

Children's Hospital LOS ANGELES | YOUNG ARTISTS COMMITTEE | ART DIRECTORS GUILD WITH LOCAL 800

1 PINT OF BLOOD CAN SAVE UP TO 2 OF OUR PATIENTS' LIVES.

QR code for appointment scheduling.

San Fernando Valley Pride Parade – June 29th

Local 33 has invited us to walk with them for the <https://www.sfvpride.org/> parade on June 29th. Please reach out to the Local if you'd like to attend.

Email: community@iatse728.org and include in the subject line: **SFV Pride Parade**

SAN FERNANDO VALLEY

June 29, 2021

Van Nuys & Sherman Way

RALLY AT 11 AM • MARCH AT 12 PM

VAN NUYS CIVIC CENTER BLOCK PARTY AT 1 PM

RESOURCE FAIR • MUSIC • FOOD • PERFORMANCES

CONSTITUENT SERVICES • ART • KIDS ZONE

PRIDE

SFVPRIDE.ORG • @SFV.PRIDE

SOMOS FAMILIA VALLE | MENJIVAR | KAREN BASS

Save the Date! Retiree Luncheon-June 26th
Stay tuned for details!

Save the Date! Safety Summit

Safety is and remains an issue of the highest importance. Come to this meeting to get an update on the status of stage inspections in town, improving language about inspection guidelines language to the fire code that governs our sound stages, and the mental health/crisis response with ESTA and more!

When: Saturday, August 24th

Where: IATSE Local 80

Further details to follow!

MPTF & IATSE | Day at the Ranch 2024

Join us for MPT-IATSE's fundraiser, Day at the Ranch at Calamigos in Malibu, CA for a day of fun.

All tickets include admission, parking, lunch, and the opportunity to participate in the auction and raffle. games, and more!

When: Sunday, November 10th

Time: 11AM-3PM

Location: Calamigos Ranch | 327 Latigo Canyon Rd | Malibu, CA 90265

Buy

Tickets: <https://e.givesmart.com/events/CTX/>



Union Resources

MPI-Mental Health and Wellness Resources

MPI has a variety of free and low-cost mental health and wellness resources. The list is available on the L728 website in the assistance section.

Log-in required to view content:

[Assistance | IATSE Local 728 \(iatse728.org\)](https://www.iatse728.org)

If you have question about any of the resources, please contact Brenda Weiner, Wellness Program Manager at: bweiner@mpiphp.org

Mental Health Tools and Resources

Many of us are dealing with a lack of work for as long as a year in what may be a new normal. If you are in need of mental health assistance, don't feel ashamed. It's natural. Please utilize some of these tools from our website or call us at the hall.

MPTF Intake Line: (323) 634-3888

[Mental Health Resources \(iatse728.org\)](http://iatse728.org)

[Mental Health Tools and Resources with Behind The Scenes | IATSE Local 728 \(iatse728.org\)](#)

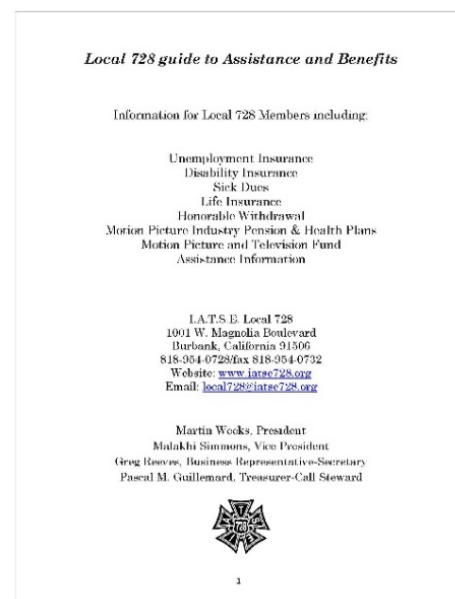
Local 728 Guide to Assistance and Benefits

Information for Local 728 members, including:

- Unemployment Insurance
- Disability Insurance
- Sick Dues
- Life Insurance
- Honorable Withdrawal
- MPI (Motion Picture Pension & Health Plans)
- Motion Picture & Television Fund
- Assistance Information

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[Assistance | IATSE Local 728 \(iatse728.org\)](#)



The Local 728 Food Pantry

Many of your colleagues are still hurting from the slowdown in work. The Local 728 Food Pantry is still open.

Please review the union resource link and reach out to the Local.

[Union Financial Resources Guide v5.1.pdf \(iatse728.org\)](#)

Check the link below for upcoming Food Distributions through LCS:

[Events — Labor Community Services \(lcs-la.org\)](#)



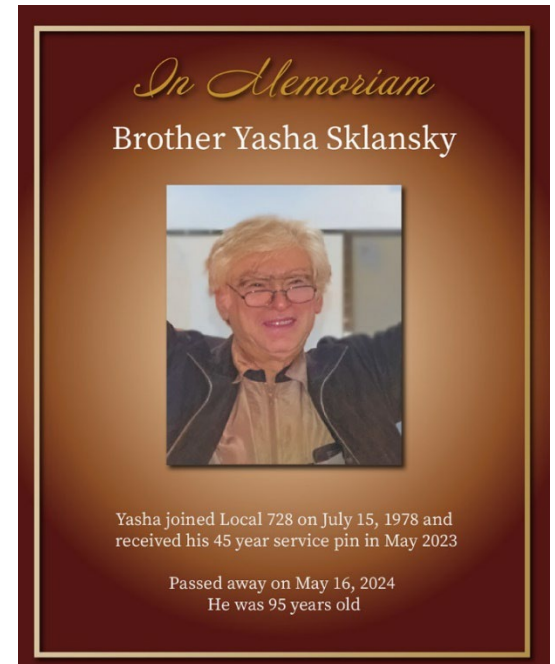
In Memoriam

Brother Yasha Sklansky

A 46-year member of Local 728, Brother Sklansky passed away on May 16, 2024.

Additional information is available on the Local 728 website:

[Notice of passing: Yasha Sklansky on May 16th, 2024 | IATSE Local 728 \(iatse728.org\)](#)



Member passing and celebration of life announcements can be found:

[Good & Welfare | IATSE Local 728 \(iatse728.org\)](#)