

Local 728

Weekly Digest

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In The Spotlight this week!

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 be addressing the printing of the Agreement at the next Executive Board meeting and will have a motion for the membership to consider in March.

[Contracts, Negotiations, & Wages | IATSE Local 728 \(iatse728.org\)](https://www.iatse728.org)



IATSE Local 728 Negotiations Town Hall-Hybrid

Join us for an upcoming Negotiations Town Hall to discuss surveys and CATs. This meeting is for members only.

- Saturday, February 10th
- Location: IATSE Local 728 | 1001 W. Magnolia Blvd | Burbank, CA 91506
- Time: 1:00PM

RSVP by 3:00PM February 9th with your Full Name and Union Card No. at the following:

In-person: community@iatse728.org

For Zoom: solidarity@iatse728.org



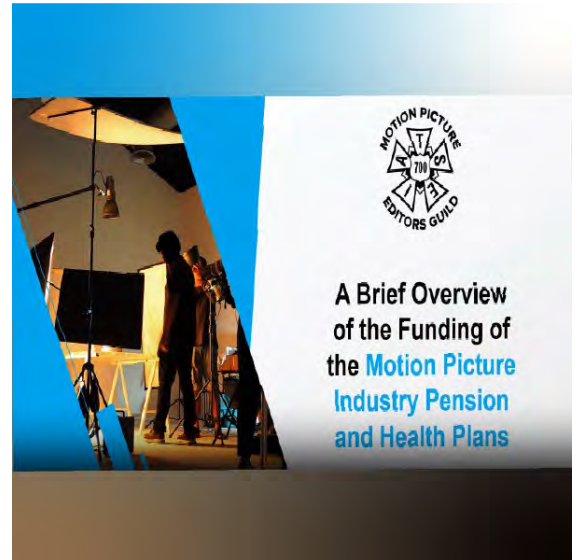
Brief Funding Overview – MPI Pension and Health Plans

As we prepare for bargaining, it is important to understand all the issues facing us and all the IATSE locals as we prepare proposals. One of the primary issues along with wages is our MPI Health and Pension Plans and its long-term stability.

Local 700 put together this video about how the MPI Plans are funded. It is meant to help provide a general overview. Note: the script and voiceover were recorded before the prolonged strikes as well as before 2023 data was available.

Log-in required to view content:

[2024 Hollywood Basic & Local Negotiations | 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.

If you're interested, come to our IATSE Local 728 Negotiations Town Hall meeting on February 10th at 1PM.



2024 Bargaining Update

436 proposals have been sent to the IATSE in an unprecedented show of representation. Now the various IA sub committees made up of elected officers and rank-and-file will be sifting and sorting in an effort to arrive at a proposal for bargaining set to begin in March.

Bargaining of the Agreement set for March 4th!

Additional details coming soon: IATSE Local 728 Negotiations Town Hall (2/10/24 at 1PM) and March Solidarity Rally (3/3/24 at 11AM).



Ratpac Controls- IATSE Discount

L728 Signatory Ratpac Controls understand the past year has been challenging for everyone and want to support the membership. They have decided to double their IATSE discount for all Ratpac Controls products to 15%. If you need more information about the discount, please reach out to sales@ratpaccontrols.com.

You got any gear questions? Contact Anthony Bernal at techsupport@ratpaccontrols.com or (818) 528-6564 or check out their YouTube channel for Tech Tips videos.



Celebrate **Black History Month**

2024

Upcoming Events

MPTF Webinar: Help!! I Can't Do This by Myself!!!!

Join us for a Virtual Family Caregiver Discussions webinar of adding in home care for support. Home Help vs. Home Health.

- Tuesday, February 6th
- Time: 4:00 – 5:30PM

RSVP to Maureen Feldman at:
Maureen.Feldman@mptf.com

Join Zoom Meeting:
<https://mptf.zoom.us/j/7891656339>

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Join Us From the Comfort of Your Home

For Virtual Family Caregiver Discussions

Tuesday, February 6th, | 4:00-5:30 PM



February Presentation: Help!! I Can't Do This by Myself!!!! The Nuts and Bolts of Adding In-Home Care for Support. Home Help vs Home Health. Home health care, family/friend caregiving, licensed and non-licensed caregiving, private duty nursing.

Margaret Sison and Ben Manalo are care managers for Home Care Solutions. Home Care Solutions provides affordable, non-medical in-home care for seniors and those needing recuperative or continuing care.

ZOOM Workshop

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DCS Cinema Lighting Expo at Local 80

The 2024 Digital Cinema Society's Expo will have demos and the latest gear you can get your hands on. DCS will also bestow the third "Dibie" Award given in memory of George Spiro Dibie.

- Saturday, February 10th
- Location: IATSE Local 80 Stage | 2520 West Olive Ave | Burbank, CA 91505
- Doors Open at 9:30AM

RSVP deadline 4:00PM, February 9th

[Register Now: DCS 2024 Cinema Lighting Expo - Saturday February 10th in Burbank, CA | Digital Cinema Society \(dcsonline.org\)](https://www.digitalcinemasociety.org)

NOTE: If you are planning on attending the IATSE Local 728 Negotiations Town Hall, the events take place concurrently.

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
- Location Start/Finish Line: 943 N. Broadway | Los Angeles, CA 90012
- Time: Varies depending on event

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

Solidarity Rally

Save the Date for a Solidarity Rally!

- Sunday, March 3rd
- Location: TBD
- Time: 11:00AM

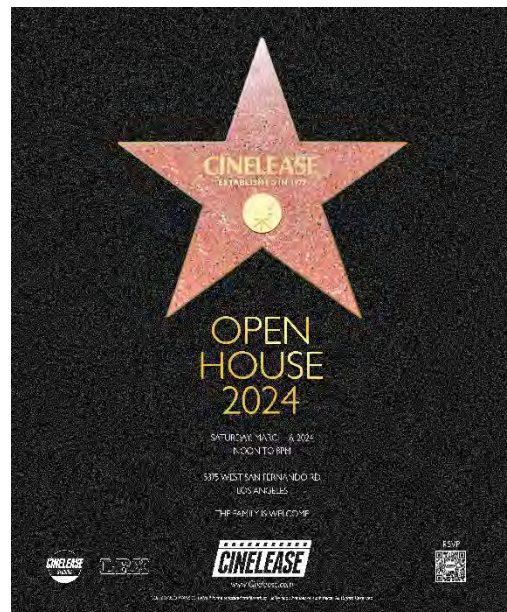


CINELEASE Open House

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](#)



MPI Updates

Anthem Blue Cross and UC Health

The Motion Picture Industry Health Plan (MPIHP) is following contract negotiations between Anthem Blue Cross and UC Health closely. This negotiation involves the Active PPO, and non-Medicare plans only; it does not involve the Retiree Medicare Advantage plan. MPIHP is working closely with Anthem Blue Cross to ensure that MPIHP participants will continue to have access to high quality healthcare. As you are aware, most often negotiations like this come down to the deadline. This is a reminder that participants also have access to primary care through Facey Medical Group, St. John's Physicians Partners, and Providence Medical Institute with a \$5 co-pay and no co-insurance. These new groups can also make referrals to any MP3 specialist. Go to the MPI website to [find a provider](#). We will update when we have more information.



Potential Delta Dental Data Breach

Delta Dental had its systems compromised as part of the MOVEit breach that affected many organizations in mid-2023. It's possible some of us who received their dental benefits through Delta Dental had our personal information compromised. Based on MPIHP's review, most of our participants who had information compromised had the following personal information compromised.

- Date of birth
- Social security number
- Health insurance information
- Treatment cost information

Delta Dental will be notifying any affected MPIHP participants of this breach by mail and will be offering free identity monitoring services.



In Memoriam

Brother Herbert "Herby" Hughes

A 63-year member of Local 728, Brother Herbert passed away on January 26th.

Funeral Service will be held on February 13, 2024 at 9:00AM sharp at Forest Lawn Hollywood Hills in the Courts of Remembrance, Columbarium of Morning Hope area.

Celebration of Life will immediately follow at the MPTF Campus, Saban Center in Woodland Hills, CA at 11:30AM

Complete Funeral & Celebration of Life Information:

[Notice of Passing: Herb Hughes on 1-26-24 | IATSE Local 728 \(iatse728.org\)](#)

