

Local 728

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In The Spotlight this week!

Did You Qualify for Severance Pay?

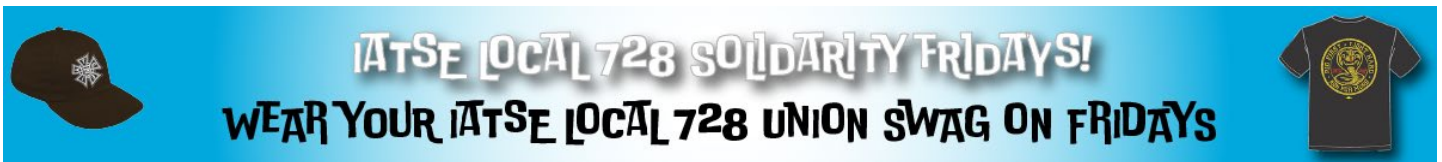
Have you worked for an employer for 200 or more days the past few years and been off for over 90 days? You may be entitled to severance. Paragraph 74 in the Basic Agreement allows for payouts based on qualifying years.

Check out the contract to see if you qualify at www.iatse728.org/contracts or call for details.

In solidarity,



Greg Reeves
Business Representative - Secretary
Lighting Technicians IATSE Local 728



2nd Annual Safety Summit | September 20th

The 2nd Annual Safety Summit with a Spotlight on Mental Health and Wellness will be hosted at IATSE Local 80.

Join us for an update on Perm Inspections, the Film and Tax Incentive Set Safety Officer update and MPTF will be in attendance with member resources.

Register at the link below, after registering you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the Safety Summit.

When: Saturday, September 20th

Time: 12PM-3PM

Location: IATSE Local 80

[Register Here](#)

training728.org/safetysummit2resources

[View Information Here](#)



2nd Annual

Spotlight
on
Mental Health and Wellness

SAFETY SUMMIT

Perm
Inspections

Film and Tax
Incentive Set Safety
Officer Update

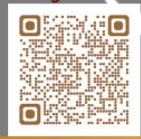
September 20th
12PM-3PM

Resourcing



All IATSE West Coast
Studio Locals Welcome

Register



IATSE Local 80

2520 W. Olive Ave | Burbank, CA 91505

Hollywood Labor Joint Statement on Pulling of Jimmy Kimmel Live

"The indefinite removal of *Jimmy Kimmel Live* under government pressure is not an isolated incident. It is part of a disturbing trend of increasing interference in creative expression. This kind of political pressure on broadcasters and artists chills free speech and threatens the livelihoods of thousands of working Americans..."

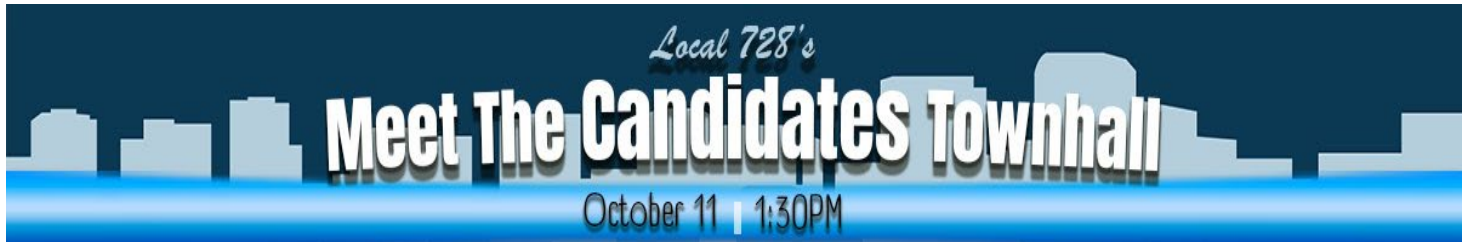
[Read More Here](#)



Meet The Candidates Town Hall

Local 728's Meet the Candidates Town Hall will be held on Saturday, October 11th at 1:30PM-3:30PM. This is your opportunity to meet and hear from the candidates that want your vote. More details to follow.

[RSVP Here](#)



LinkedIn Learning

The Artificial Intelligence 101 LinkedIn Learning Path, developed by the IATSE, provides members with information to better understand how current AI tech could affect the industry and our work.

For more information regarding your free LinkedIn Learning subscription please visit the IATSE Training Trust Fund website at:

<https://www.iatsetrainingtrust.org/lil>

To find the AI courses, simply type “Artificial Intelligence 101” into the LinkedIn Learning search bar. LinkedIn Learning provides many other courses dealing with various facets of AI. This Learning Path is meant to be a starting point.

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recommendations

Learning Paths from
the IATSE & IATSE TTF

www.iatsetrainingtrust.org/lil



CineGear 2025 | Tech Talks Videos

If you missed CineGear 2025, The Sustainable Entertainment Alliance (SEA) has turned the Tech Talks into videos.

[View Playlist Here](#)



Cine Gear Tech Talks

Organizing Victories

You can report your show on the [IATSE Local 728 website](#). See below for some of the recent flips from non-union to union!



Support
your



Signatory
companies



Proud Union Shops!

ROSH HASHANAH



SHANAH TOVAH!

Evening 9/22-9/24

Celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month

September 15 - October 15



FOURTH QTR 2025 Dues can be paid by check, ach, debit/credit card or on the website.

Website payments can be made if you log in to your account at www.iatse728.org

Quarterly Due Dates: January 1, April 1, July 1, and **October 1**



In The Labor News

“Labor Movement Applauds Senate Introduction of Protection (AFL-CIO, September 2025)

[Read More Here](#)

“Trump’s Man with a Plan in Hollywood Opens Up” (*The HollywoodReporter.com*, September 2025)

[Read More Here](#)

Upcoming Events

MPTF Webinar | Don't Wait, Plan Your Estate!


Join Naomi Rodda, MPTF's Director of Home & Community Based Services, for an important discussion about the nuts and bolts of estate planning. Topics: Medicare, Durable Powers of Attorney, advanced directives, will versus trust and more.

When: Wednesday, September 24th

Time: 11AM-12:30PM PT

Location: Zoom Workshop

[Register Here](#)



Open to All IATSE Members, Family, & Friends

Don't Wait, Plan Your Estate!

Estate planning is about more than just money. A comprehensive estate plan is a communication tool and a gift from you to those who care about you and those who will care for you. It's never too early to start thinking and planning!


**Wednesday
September 24, 2025**

2:00 – 3:30 pm
Eastern

1:00 – 2:30 pm
Central

12:00 – 1:30 pm
Mountain

11:00 am – 12:30 pm
Pacific

Please join Naomi Rodda, MPTF's Director of Home & Community-Based Services, for an important discussion about the nuts and bolts of estate planning. Learn more about topics including Medicare, durable powers of attorney, advanced directives, will versus trusts and more. **MPTF** 
MOTION PICTURE & TELEVISION FUND
Caring is Infinite

 **REGISTER** iatse.co/estateplanning

MPTF Webinar | Medicare 101

Join MPTF staff for an important and timely discussion on Medicare enrollment for entertainment industry professionals without a retiree health plan.

When: Thursday, September 25th

Time: 5PM-6PM PT

Location: Zoom Workshop

Please RSVP by September 24

[Register Here](#)



Medicare 101 for Entertainment Industry Professionals without Retiree Health Plans

Join Us From The Comfort Of Your Home



RSVP | IATSE “ALL-IN” Mixer

The Hollywood IATSE “ALL-IN” Mixer will be hosted at Local 80. To RSVP, please use the link below.

When: Saturday, October 11th

Time: 6PM-12AM

Location: IATSE Local 80

[RSVP Here](#)

[IATSE "ALL-IN" MIXER Information](#)



Union Resources

Information and tools for financial, mental health and wellness, assistance, food banks, alternative health insurance, discounts and more can be found at the following:

[Financial Assistance and Resources](#)

[Resources | Assistance](#)

[Mental Health Tools and Resources](#)



IATSE PAC

IATSE Local 728 Fundraiser to support IATSE PAC

Local 728 now has its own personalized PAC Donation Landing Page. Donating is a 2-step process. First you must fill out a PAC Form and then make a donation using the links or QR provided.

[Please give today!](#)

[Fillable PAC Form](#)

PAC FORM



DONATE



IATSE PAC

The IATSE PAC is about access to politicians regardless of platform on behalf of ALL members.

While the work stoppage last year impacted you and your colleague's financial wellbeing, The fights we take on with PAC resources continue for our industry, benefiting ALL U.S. members and Local Unions whether they contribute or not.

Donate today!

[What is the IATSE PAC? Play Video](#)



In Memoriam

Tami Morris

On Sunday, September 7th The Creative Arts Emmy Awards honored the lives of those we lost in 2025. Our Sister, Tami Morris was among those honored.

[View In Memoriam Creative Arts Ceremony](#)



IN MEMORIAM

Mike Miligan • writer, producer
Don Mischer • director, producer
Dean Mitzner • production designer, art director
Jane Morgan • performer
Beans Morocco • performer
Tami Morris • lighting technician, best boy
Bill Moyers • journalist, commentator
Graeme Murray • art director, production designer
Dikembe Mutumbo • athlete, performer
Obi Ndefo • performer
Tom Neuwirth • director of photography, director
Andrea Blaugrund Nevins • director, producer, writer

Television
Academy

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