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In The Spotlight this week!

Active or Retired, Organizing is the Antidote!

The IATSE has experienced several instances recently of retired members working non-union and refusing to sign authorization cards or otherwise support organizing efforts. In some instances, these retirees have gone further and recommended to the crew that they do not support organizing. These members have a belief that they are protected from having their pension suspended if they work non-union. This is not true.

The summary from the MPI Trust is as follows:

"The Motion Picture Industry Pension Plan provides that pensioners who return to certain work will have their benefits suspended. In brief summary, a pensioner will have their monthly benefit suspended (forfeited) if they work 50 hours in a month in either:

- a) work requiring contributions to the Plan or*
- b) non-union work in the motion picture industry in the same trade or craft for which they received contributions to the Plan.*

Work resulting in suspension is referred to as "suspendible service."

The rules are set forth in the Trust and summarized in the [Summary Plan Description](#) ("SPD") page 26, available on the MPI website.

A member collecting a pension and qualified for permanent healthcare should support ALL organizing efforts, not prevent the contributions that fund these benefits. This behavior has an immediate detrimental impact on the plans that will be felt by all active and future participants in the MPIPHP.

We all have a responsibility to ALL of the participants in the plan, current and future. Call in your shows and support each other by organizing!

In solidarity,



Greg Reeves
Business Representative – Secretary
Lighting Technicians, IATSE Local 728

Constitution and By-Laws Important Information

IATSE Local 728

Your Voice Matters!



GET OUT THE VOTE

Constitution & By-Laws Proposed Amendments

***Members must be in good standing to vote**

E-Ballots to vote on the proposed Constitution and By-Laws amendments will be **sent by Unilect beginning Friday, July 24 via email and text**. Voting will be conducted from Friday, July 24 – Monday, August 10 (*voting ends at 1PM PT*).

If you have not received your ballot by Monday, July 27th, please let us know.

Members must be in good standing for your votes to count. Please ensure your contact information is current with the Local.

Take a moment to read the proposals and when you get your E-Ballot, vote.

Information on the proposed amendments can be accessed using the following links (log-in required).

- [Bulletin No.6](#)
- [2026 IATSE Local 728 CBL Ratification Packet](#)
- [Constitution and By-Laws | IATSE Local 728](#)

MPTF Webinar – July 28

Navigating Health Insurance Alternatives for Working - Age Industry Members



July 28th | 5PM - 6PM PT
Zoom Workshop

Join representatives from Entertainment Health Insurance Solutions for an important discussion on health insurance alternatives, including the Affordable Care Act and Medi-Cal.

When: Tuesday, July 28

Time: 5PM – 6PM PT

Location: Via Zoom

[Register Here](#) (Please RSVP by July 27)

Production List

Now available
on the Local 728 website
Dashboard! (log-in required)

Production List

Access to the July production list is available on the website. You must log-in to the Local 728 website and click on [Dashboard](#) to view.

IATSE LOCAL 728 SOLIDARITY FRIDAYS!



**WEAR YOUR IATSE LOCAL 728
UNION SWAG ON FRIDAYS**

Federal Film Incentive Program

IATSE Local 728 PAC Contributions Page



The IATSE PAC supports candidates and elected officials who stand with workers, regardless of party affiliation. By becoming a monthly contributor, you're also supporting [IATSE's federal agenda](#), including the 2026 priorities that will directly impact all workers in our industry.

Local 728 now has its own personalized PAC Donation Landing Page.

[I want a federal incentive!](#)



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

Community Action

Union Plus Power America Sweepstakes



For its 6th year, Union Plus has upped the ante with more than \$150K in prizes for union members. Enter the Unions Power America Sweepstakes by August 19, 2026 for a chance to win one of their fabulous prizes.

To enter and for complete details click on the following link:

[2026 Unions Power America Sweepstakes](#)

Upcoming Events

Blood Drive at the Art Director's Guild

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



Children's
Hospital
LOS ANGELES



Date: Friday, August 7, 2026

Time: 10am - 3:45pm

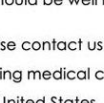
Hosted By: Art Directors Guild

Location: 11969 Ventura Blvd. Studio City 91604

To schedule an appointment,
visit CHLAdonateblood.org or call us at **323-361-2441**.



ART DIRECTORS GUILD



DONATE BLOOD TODAY!

Every month, Children's Hospital Los Angeles has to collect 2,000 units of blood products to meet the needs of its patients. Please schedule an appointment for our upcoming blood drive, where each donation can help two children, and you can double your efforts by bringing a friend!

DONOR REQUIREMENTS

- At least 17 years old and weigh at least 110 pounds
- Must provide valid photo ID (driver's license preferred)
- Should be well hydrated and feeling healthy

Please contact us if you are on any medications, have an existing medical condition or recently traveled outside the United States.

You're invited to join the ADG Local 800 in giving back to Children's Hospital Los Angeles at the ADG Fall Blood Drive.

When: Friday, August 7, 2026

Location: Art Directors Guild - 11969 Ventura Blvd 1st Floor, Studio City, CA 91604

Time: Appts available 10AM - 3:45PM

[CLICK HERE](#) to schedule your August 7th appointment today!

Blood Donor Qualifications list can be viewed [here](#). If you are not available/eligible yourself, you still have the power to save a life - recruit other donors, share on social media, forward the details to x3 friends!

The ADG Blood Drive is open to the public, all are welcome and we hope to see you there! Have a big heart... give blood ❤️

IATSE "ALL-IN" Mixer



Save the Date for the "ALL-IN" Mixer on Saturday, October 10, 2026.

Time: 6PM-12PM

Location: IATSE Local 80, 2520 W Olive Ave Ste 200, Burbank, CA 91505

LDI Las Vegas



LDI

December 6-8, 2026
Las Vegas Convention Center

We're lighting up LDI this year. Join us.

Get your **FREE Expo Hall Pass**
with code **10003**



IATSE LOCAL 728

*Dedicated to Motion Picture
Set Lighting since 1939*

Don't miss LDI 2026 in Las Vegas. It's your opportunity to demo and preview the newest gear, cutting edge training from top-industry professionals and more.

Pro Training: Dec 2 - 8, 2026

Expo Hall Hours: December 6 + 7, 2026: 10AM - 6PM
& December 8, 2026: 10AM – 3PM

Location: Las Vegas Convention Center - West Hall | **Booth #728**

Register: [Registration Options](#) | [LDI Show](#)

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](#)