

HOSTING A TEEN NIGHT

Producing a Teen Night is simple and fun! This is your opportunity to welcome young folks into your space & intentionally build a healthy relationship with teen audiences. Teen Nights are sponsored and produced by your organization, while TeenTix promotes and supports your event.

ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES	
PARTNER ORGANIZATION (YOU)	TEENTIX
Informs TeenTix at least 3 weeks in	Offers support/advice while you plan
advance of the production date	 Promotes your event on:
 Plans the event and its components 	 The TeenTix Calendar
 Produces and executes all aspects of the 	o Our social media channels:
event (i.e. ticketing, food, programming,	Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram
etc.)	 Our weekly newsletter

Additional ways you can promote your event and get more traction:

- Make a Facebook event + make us a cohost
- Mention the event on social media and tag us @teentix
- Ask us to share your event with relevant Community Partners/local youth groups
- Send your press release to the Teen Editorial Staff (teeneditors@teentix.org) who curate 5 8 events each month to be reviewed on the TeenTix blog to get teen press coverage

These components make a Teen Night successful:

- 1. **Food:** Teens love snacks. It's science! You can choose to set up a snack table, or offer a "voucher" for concessions (i.e. 'teens can show their TeenTix Pass for a free soda or popcorn!')
- 2. **The Main Attraction:** This is the easy part! You're already putting on an event; now you're specifically inviting teens to attend, too.
- 3. **Education:** Teens long to feel more deeply involved in the art that they're seeing! This means activities like pre-show lectures, workshops from your education department, post-show talkbacks, and behind-the-scenes tours entice them into your space.

What nights are best to host a Teen Night?

• We've found that the most successful Teen Nights happen on Friday or Saturday evenings.

Ticketing/RSVPs

- TeenTix can set up a Google Form for teens to RSVP, and we'll send you the Will Call list in advance.
- If you'd prefer to handle tickets yourself, you can set up a promo code, a special ticketing link, or whatever works best for your organization. Simply directing teens to reserve tickets over the phone is great, too! Just make sure the tickets are \$5 maximum (inclusive of all fees). Your organization can limit sales to just one ticket per buyer, or multiple.

Be transparent about the timeline of the evening and the themes of the show!

- Provide a rough itinerary of the evening so teens know when to arrange for transportation.
- If you have a special block of seats or a room reserved for teen mingling & snacks, mention it in your itinerary (and have signage at the event so they can find it)!
- Provide content warnings and advisories so we can include them in our public-facing materials.

Want to go above and beyond? Plan some activities!

• If you've got time and resources to plan and execute even more teen fun, we recommend setting up a photo booth, a button-making station, a raffle, a costume contest, trivia, or any other activity you can dream up that fits within your event & theme!