

Temporary Suspension of Performer Permits

We are mindful of the hardships that the COVID-19 public health emergency is causing our community. As such, we are working closely with leadership to ensure that you are informed of the health and safety guidelines and protocols that are applicable to your ability to perform.

The Los Angeles County Department of Public Health's (DPH) Safer at Home Order mandates that individuals leaving their home strictly comply with physical distancing requirements, including maintaining at least six feet of physical distance from those who are not members of their household and generally prohibits events and gatherings. The LA County DPH has informed the City of Santa Monica that the County Safer at Home Order prohibits live audiences for street performers, even if persons from different households observing such a performance maintain physical distancing from one another and wear face coverings.

To ensure that street performers comply with the County Safer at Home Order, the City has issued the Twenty-Seventh Supplement to its Local Emergency Order that temporarily suspends the issuance of permits for street performers and any such permit that has already been issued and prohibits street performers from performing with a suspended permit. This means that street performers may not perform at the Third Street Promenade, the Transit Mall, and the Santa Monica Pier during their most crowded times, after noon Mondays through Fridays and on weekends when permits otherwise would be required.

However, it remains permissible for street performers to:

- 1. Perform on the Pier, Third Street Promenade, and Transit Mall prior to 12 p.m. Monday through Friday (unless a holiday), as long as they comply with the restrictions in the Twenty-Seventh Supplement, which, among other things, requires face coverings and compliance with the County social distancing requirements and prohibits street performers from encouraging gatherings.
- 2. Perform in areas where a permit is not required, so long as the performer complies with Chapter 6.112 of the Santa Monica Municipal and the County Safer at Home Order.

For the latest information on the local response to the novel coronavirus (COVID-19), please visit www.santamonica.gov/coronavirus and if you don't find what you're looking for, reach out to the COVID-19 hotline at 310-458-8400 or info@santamonica.gov.

Stay calm, stay informed, and stay healthy.

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