

Business Events at Brown's Mart

12 Smith Street, Darwin City, Northern Territory

**Bring people together in one of
Darwin's Oldest Buildings**

Brown's Mart acknowledges the Larrakia people, the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we work. We pay our respects to their Elders, past, present and emerging, and to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, and acknowledge that this always was, and always will be, Aboriginal land.





WHY BROWN'S MART IS PERFECT FOR BUSINESS EVENTS

Flexible, purpose built facility with, friendly team ready to help you bring people together

With retractable tiered seating, meeting spaces, and air-conditioned rooms, the venue is fully equipped to host conferences, presentations, workshops, and performances with ease.

Historic Charm in a Central Location

Housed in one of Darwin's oldest limestone buildings, Brown's Mart offers a unique blend of heritage character and cultural significance; right in the heart of the city.

Community Focused, Creative Atmosphere

Rooted in the local arts scene and community engagement, Brown's Mart provides an inspiring environment that elevates any event; perfect for teams seeking a dynamic, memorable, authentic creative edge.

ABOUT BROWN'S MART

Standing on Larrakia land as the Home of Territory Performing Arts, Brown's Mart delivers a year-round arts program centred in collaboration, innovation and energy.

In and beyond our multiple performance spaces we create and present contemporary performance works which engage with many communities and art forms. We champion new work and new voices from the Northern Territory through residencies, creative developments and presentations, and have done since 1972. Just as this legacy continues, so does Brown's Mart's commitment to our artists, our audiences, and our community.

Hiring Brown's Mart (a registered Charity) assists with funding the creation of new performance here in the Northern Territory, making sure that local stories and voices can reach the stage here and beyond. Your booking directly supports the Northern Territory Creative Industries.

OUR HISTORY

Brown's Mart stands on Larrakia land and dates back to 1885, originally built from local stone by Vaiben Louis Solomon and known as "Solomon's Mart." In 1887, Victor Vowles Brown took over, and the building became known as Brown's Mart. Over the years, it housed various commercial tenants, was damaged by the 1897 cyclone, used by the armed forces in WWII, and later occupied by government offices.

Its transformation into a community theatre began in the 1970s, led by the Darwin Theatre Group. In 1971, a Board of Trustees was appointed, and the Mart hosted its first rehearsals and performances in 1972. After Cyclone Tracy, restoration was funded by the Darwin Reconstruction Commission and a National Estate grant, with performances resuming in 1976.

DEDICATED BUSINESS EVENT CONTACT

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The team can be available for site inspections

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PRICING & TIMELINES

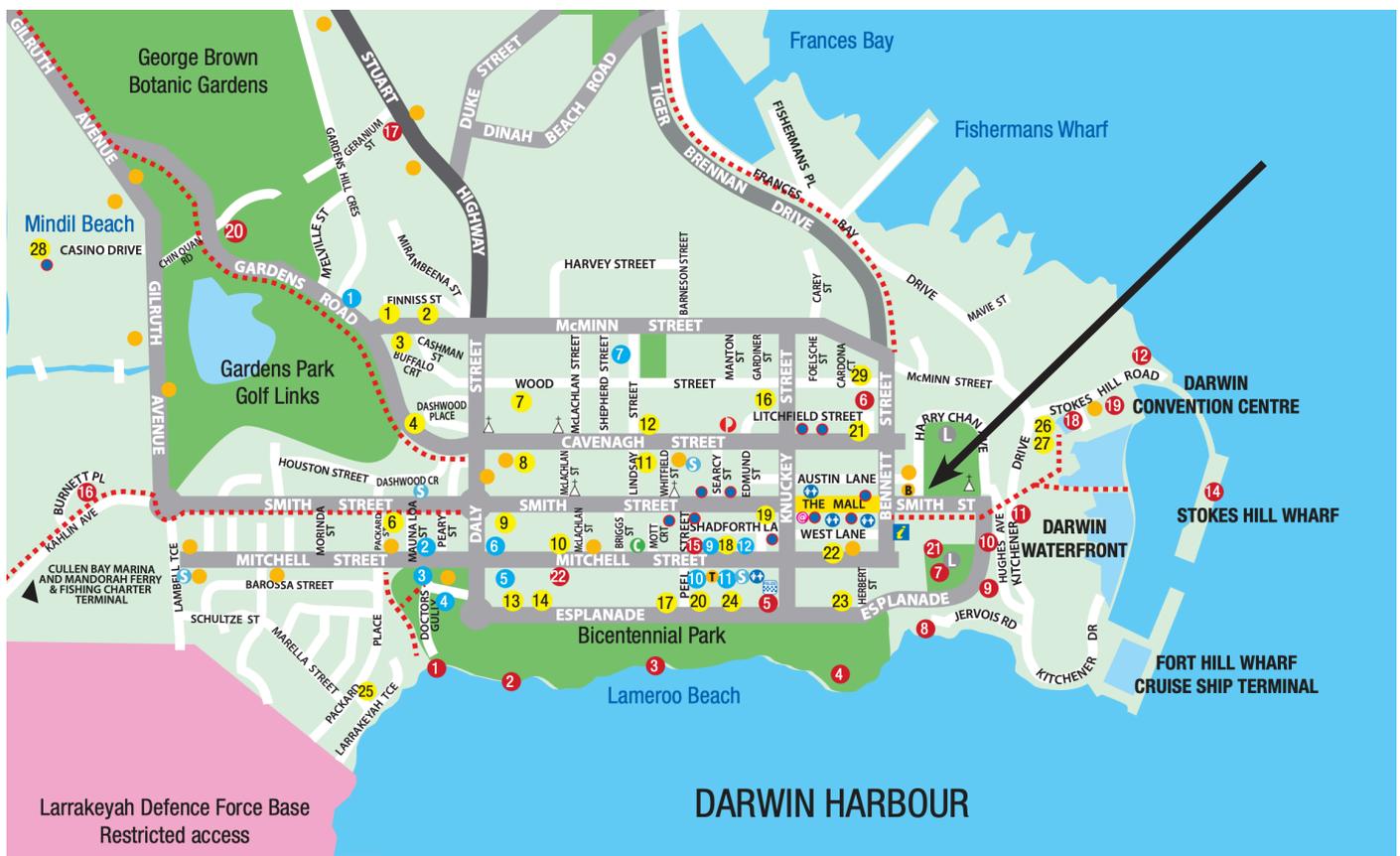
Hire of Brown's Mart is incredibly affordable starting from \$900+ GST for a 2-3 hour booking of the Theatre and Studio however pricing is tailored to your needs and resources. This includes offering Community pricing for Non For Profit and Independenet groups.

Booking requests are preferably made at least a month in advance in order to not only prepare the space and assure the correct equipment is available, this gives the team adequet time to liase staffing and any other hirers of the space. The more lead in time the more our knowledgeable friendly team can help with problem solving and tailoring the experience.

LOCATION

Find us housed beside Civic Park in Darwin City, perfectly located between venues such as the Darwin Entertainment Centre, Darwin Convention Centre and Darwin Innovation Hub.

12 Smith Street, Darwin City, Northern Territory, Australia 0800 | [CLICK HERE](#) to visit on Google



ACCESSIBILITY

About Our Venue

- Our signs use easy read fonts and plain English for our signage and information (includes menus and emergency information).
- A quiet space is generally available at the venue/ facility by sitting in the courtyard. Events and experiences vary though so please check in if you require something specific.
- We have handrails on all stairways.

Mobility & Wheelchair Use

Brown's Mart Theatre, Studio and Courtyard are Wheelchair Accessible spaces. There is an Accessible bathroom located in the Theatre Foyer. The Brown's Mart Meeting Room is located up a flight of stairs.

Seating is provided in common areas including the Courtyard.

Brown's Mart has step free outdoor pathways and the main entrance to the building.

Toilets

Accessible, urinal and stall toilets are available. The fully accessible gender-neutral toilet can be found in the foyer of the Theatre.

Parking

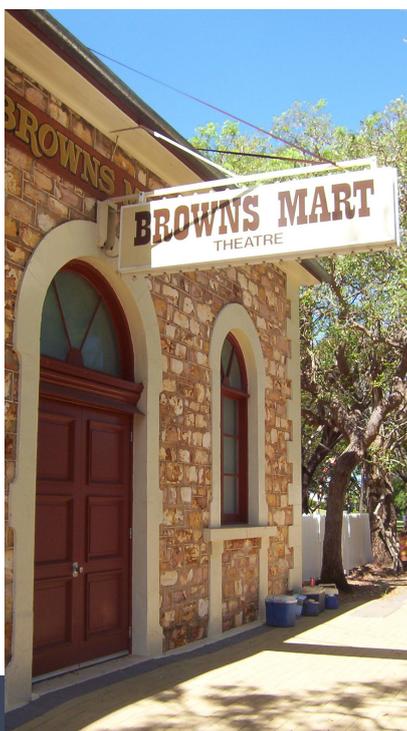
Patrons requiring disabled parking are permitted to park in the service lane out the front of the Venue, next to the Bus Interchange.

[CLICK HERE](#) for a street parking map in Darwin City.

State Square Underground car park is around 250m away. The car park entry is via Herbert Street off Mitchell Street and the car park is operational 24 hours a day, seven days a week. This includes offering overnight stays.

Travelling to Darwin

If you're a visitor then we recommend checking out Tourism Topend's Accessibility Guide for getting around the Northern Territory. [CLICK HERE](#)



VENUE OVERVIEW

Brown's Mart has 4 different spaces available for hire, you can book them individually or take over the entire venue. Each area is flexible in terms of the seating arrangements and functionality of the space.

Recent events that we've hosted:

- Tourism Top End general Meeting
- Creative Australia Information Session
- Darwin Festival Industry Connect launch
- Battle of the Legal Bands - full venue takeover

See further details about the individual spaces on the next page.



Theatre

A traditional black box style room, featuring a high pitched roof, raked ceilings with exposed timber trussing, and surrounded on three sides by a mezzanine. Available for corporate events, including award ceremonies, movie screenings, and presentations, the theatre can be hired as seated, seminar, cabaret or cocktail-style.

Capacity: 95 - 196 dependent on seating arrangement, floor plan options on page 6

Technical pack: [CLICK HERE](#)



Studio

The Studio is a fully equipped intimate space suitable for seated presentations, live-streamed events, workshops, workplace seminars, meetings and networking.

Capacity: Up to 80 and makes a great break away space that is airconditioned as seating can be removed

Technical pack: [CLICK HERE](#)



Courtyard

Offering a unique open-air experience for networking, social gatherings, or conference breakout sessions. Place a tab on the Brown's Mart bar and enjoy a catered workplace event where guests can enjoy a beautiful relaxed environment on the edge of Civic Park

Capacity: up to 200



Meeting Room

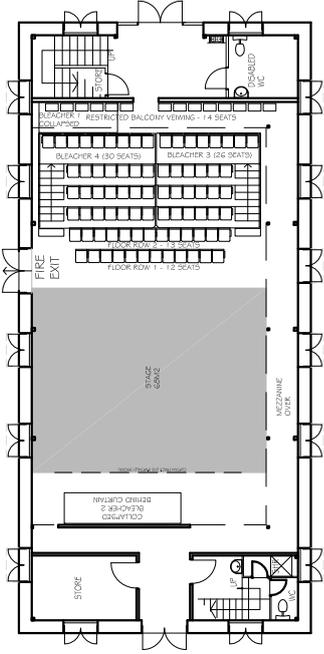
Located in the Brown's Mart Administration block, The Rehearsal Room acts as a Meeting Room that has a polished hardwood timber floor and pitched roof with a raked ceiling with exposed timber trussing, giving the room a grand impression of space. Ideal for workshops, workplace seminars, team planning and staff training days.

Capacity: 30

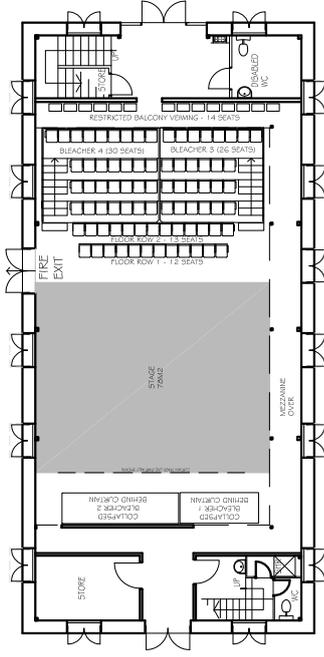
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BROWN'S MART THEATRE - ALL SEATING LAYOUTS - PAGE 1

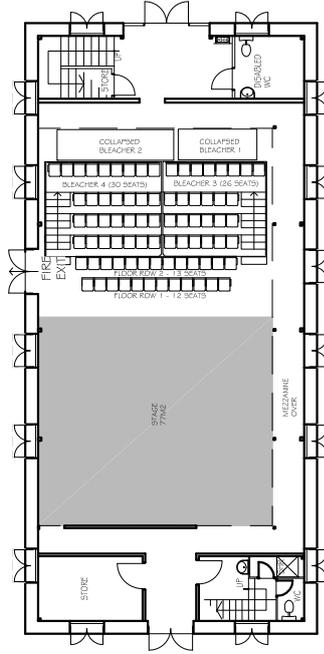
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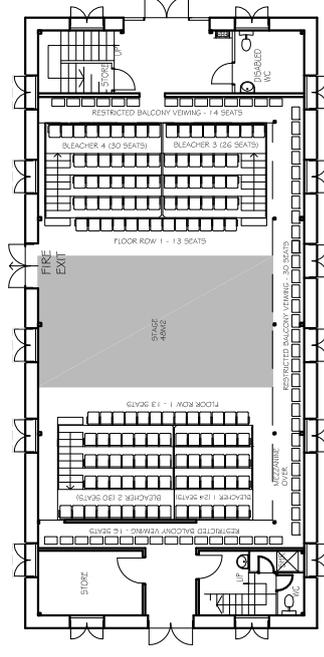
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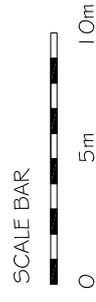
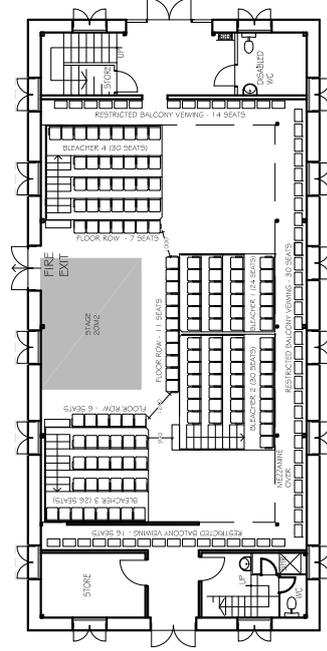
LAYOUT 2 - TOTAL 81 SEATS. REFER BMT-SL-02.



LAYOUT 3 - TOTAL 196 SEATS. REFER BMT-SL-03.



LAYOUT 4 - TOTAL 194 SEATS. REFER BMT-SL-04.



TITLE: BROWN'S MART THEATRE - ALL SEATING LAYOUTS
 REV: 2 DATE: 26.2.16
 SCALE: 1:300 at A4
 For enquiries contact venue@brownsmart.com.au

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NOTES
 DIMENSIONS ARE ROUNDED OFF TO THE NEAREST 10mm.



TECHNICAL EQUIPMENT

A purpose built facility, we can also help you set up wherever you are through our equipment hire program. With onsite reliable Wi-Fi, video conferencing capabilities and seamless integration with technology we can also provide you with technician support. Need equipment for another venue? [CLICK HERE](#) for Equipment Hire pricing.



CATERING & DRINK PACKAGES

Brown's Mart hosts a classic wine and beer bar with an intimate but delicious array of drinks including but not limited to selling select cans from the local One Mile Brewery.

- Bar tabs are easy to organise
- Pre-purchased drinks are possible
- Friendly bar staff available to serve

Brown's Mart does not offer in-house catering however we regularly work with a variety of local Northern Territorial catering companies so you're able to pick the option that compliments your event and is tailored to any dietary requirements. Some of the independent businesses we work with include but are not limited to:

- [Deebees](#)
- [Café 21](#)
- [Pony and Sid](#)
- [Fruilati](#)



HONORARY ELDER IN RESIDENCE

Brown's Mart Honorary Elder in Residence Uncle Richard Fejo can be coordinated for Welcome to Countries before your event. Got another Elder in mind or someone you're already working with? Not to worry you're more than welcome to engage someone else. Dr. Richard "Richie" Fejo is a Larrakia Man from Darwin from his father, his grandfather and his great grandfather in what culture calls "Grandfather lore". Richard is also Warumungu from Tennant Creek on his mother's side and holds a great amount of cultural knowledge and experiences from both northern and Central Australia across the Northern Territory.



TRANSPORT

Located in the heart of Darwin City, transport to and from Brown's Mart is simple with:

- Positioned on the same road as the bus interchange
- Has service lanes on both sides of the venue for easy ride share and taxi access
- Bus tours depart across the road
- E-scooter area
- Walking distance to Smith Street Mall and a range of Business Event locations



BRANDING AND EVENT TAKE OVERS

There are a range of print and digital branding options across the venue from an LED screen to inbuilt poster infrastructure and A-Frames that can be lent to you for your event.



CREATIVE ACTIVITIES & OPPORTUNITIES

Brown's Mart has access to a large list of creatives who we can recommend for a range of needs from performances to activity facilitation, workshops and dynamic, exciting team building.

As the home of Territory Performing arts the venue is activated more than 150 days of the year with different events and shows. Booking your event when one of our main stage theatre shows is on? We're able to offer discounts, allowing you to provide an exciting night out to attendees. If another hire is being presented then we can help connect you to try organise discounted tickets for a bespoke experience. We are eager to collaborate with you in a number of ways to create additional adventures for attendees.