



Motion Picture Studio Mechanics Local 52

International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees, AFL-CIO

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INVITATION FOR MEMBERSHIP THROUGH VESTING STATUS

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Via Email and First Class Mail

Dear <<First Name>> <<Last Name>>,

We are pleased to inform you that MPI records indicate you have achieved vested status as per Article 7, Section 21 of the IATSE Constitution. Therefore, you are eligible for Local 52 membership in the **Property Department**.

Article 7, Section 21 states:

"Any person who has achieved vested status in a Local or national defined benefit pension plan shall immediately be taken into membership without vote. The International President, in their sole discretion not subject to appeal, may waive this requirement if the International President determines that the individual has engaged in conduct that is detrimental to the Alliance. Failure to comply with this Section may result in suspension or revocation of charter after trial or Article Seven, Section 16 proceeding."

STEP 1- APPOINTMENT

We hope you are able to come to the hall in the Month of May 2024, exact date and time to be given upon acknowledgement of receipt of this email, to submit your documentation for review, make payment, and file an official IATSE application for membership with Local 52.

STEP 2- PAYMENT

- The Application fee is \$750.

Payment can be made with a certified check or money order made out to Local 52 OR by the following credit cards - Mastercard, Visa or American Express. **No cash or personal checks will be accepted.**

WHAT YOU NEED TO BRING

When you come to the hall for your appointment you will need to show:

- A valid and official photo identification
- Proof of residency – see below.
- Your unexpired OSHA 10-hour **construction** certificate or card
- Your unexpired weapons safety card
- Your unexpired aerial lift card or certificate

Copies/pictures of cards and driver's licenses/photo Id's will not be accepted. Electronic facsimiles will not be accepted. You cannot show us picture/image on your cellphone or laptop.

Any OSHA or aerial lift certificate/card that was issued before May 2021 will be considered out of date and will **not** be accepted – even if it is marked DOES NOT EXPIRE or NEVER EXPIRES.

PROOF OF RESIDENCY

Article 21, Section 1 of the IATSE Constitution states: "Any person applying for membership in this Alliance must be of good moral character and reputation and must have been a resident for at least eighteen (18) months immediately preceding their application within the jurisdiction of the affiliated local union to which they tender their application. Such applicant shall be of legal age to engage in gainful occupation within the jurisdiction."

Local 52 Jurisdiction includes: New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Northern Delaware, and Pennsylvania (excepting the 50 miles radius surrounding Pittsburgh). You will need to produce a state-issued driver's license/ state-issued photo ID within Local 52's Jurisdiction valid for an 18-month period prior to the date you come to the hall to make an official application.

Alternately you may produce documents acceptable on the USCIS Form I-9, for identity purposes only. ([Click link here for a list of documents that establish identity](#)). Applicants who cannot show a state-issued driver's license/ state-issued photo ID covering the previous 18 months may show a current state-issued driver's license/ state-issued photo ID (or other acceptable proof of identity as outlined above) **AND** original payroll stubs, mortgage statements, utility bills (e.g., gas, electric, water, phone, cable), banking statements, etc. These documents must include the applicant's name and address. Rental and lease agreements are **NOT** accepted.

Individuals who arrive without the above, who arrive late, who do not show up or have incorrect certificates or cards will not be permitted to file an application for membership with Local 52.

We will not have facilities for checking your bags. You must come to the union hall alone, there will be no place for visitors.

NEXT STEPS

- Once your application is cleared by the International Office of IATSE, you will be invited to the union hall to take two mandatory seminars with topics concerning Unionism, Safety, and DEI training.
- When your classes are completed, you will be sent an invitation to pay your Initiation Fee of \$4,210.
- Once your fees are paid, you will be invited to a mandatory Local 52 Swearing-In Ceremony, where you take your oath of membership and a new member orientation.
- You will then be invoiced for the union card per capita stamps through year end and will receive your union card in the mail in the next few weeks.

Please respond with your full name to Local52vested@ialocal52.org, to show that you received this email and are prepared to report to the hall. You may also contact this email address if you have any questions regarding this email, vesting status, or if your personal information has changed since you last applied.

Please respond within thirty (30) days of the date of this letter so that we may move forward with the process.

In Solidarity,
The Officers and Members of IATSE Local 52

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