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Holiday Events for Center Staging

Celebration in The Oaks

The premier traditional holiday celebration in New Orleans is [Celebration in the Oaks](#) in [City Park](#). Under centuries old oaks trees, gloriously illuminated with lights too numerous to count, you will find a magical enchanted wonderland.

Center Staging is proud to once again be a part of this annual spectacle, providing staging, choir risers and a 30' by 30' projection wall for laser light displays. Celebration in The Oaks began on Friday, November 26th and continues till January 2nd. For more information on times and tickets visit their website at <http://celebrationintheoaks.com>.



New Year's Eve in The City of New Orleans



This annual New Year's Eve celebration begins at 9pm on Decatur Street in front of Jackson Square. Expect continuous musical performances on **Center Staging's** SL-250 mobile stage right up until midnight when the famous Gumbo Pot and a new Fleur De Lis drops to bring in the new year with the city's fabulous fireworks display over the river. The new black and gold Fleur De Lis is 9 foot high by 6 foot wide and will descend a 25-foot pole atop Jax Brewery. This year's performers have not yet been announced. For more information go to: www.nola.gov or www.crescentcitycountdown.com/

Allstate Sugar Bowl Fan Jam Festivities

Center Staging's largest mobile stage, the SL-320 (40'x40') will again be the center of attention for the 5th annual Allstate Fan Fest Celebration prior to the Allstate Sugar Bowl in the parking lot of Jax Brewery. This year's Allstate Fan Fest schedule is: Sunday, January 2, 2011 - 12pm - 8pm and Monday, January 3, 2011 - 12pm - 8pm.

The entire event is FREE both days with highlights including official team pep rallies, live Bowl game broadcasts, photo opportunities with the Allstate Sugar Bowl trophy, interactive football games, an appearance by the Allstate A.F.C.A. Good Works Team and a concert by Darius Rucker on January 3rd. For more information [click here](#) to check out their website.

Center Staging Becomes Cam-Lok Supplier

Center Staging President, Jay Gernsbacher, announced that as of December 1, 2010, **Center Staging** will now be an outlet for the Cam-Lok electrical connectors. These connectors, which are used by many different industries including hotels, entertainment, music production, festivals, movie production, theaters and generator support are often hard to find especially when needed immediately.

Center Staging now has a good supply of the Cam-Lok EZ-1016 male and female connections in 5 colors (white, red, black, blue & green) as well as male & female turn-arounds and tees, all of which can now be purchased directly from the **Center Staging** website, www.centerstaging.net, with a credit card for next day shipping. If you require immediate delivery, please contact us at (504) 247-0020.

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30-Ft-High Platform Makes Stunts Possible for *The Courier*



30-ft-high stunt tower for the movie *The Courier*

Standing right next to the roller coaster of 6 Flags in New Orleans East is a 24 ft by 32 ft platform that is 30 ft high. This platform makes the top of the roller coaster available to the production crew from the movie *The Courier* for filming stunts for the movie.

Taking a little over a day to build, the platform tower, which includes a complete flight of stairs, handrails and guardrails, makes the very top of the roller coaster totally accessible to production personnel from the ground.

These platforms are used for a variety functions including camera & lighting crews, sound equipment and, of course, a stable & level surface to support a stunt crew.

Center Staging Continues to Stage Major Festivals

No stranger to large festivals and events, **Center Staging** continues its long tradition of stage building and production support for many premier events in the south.

Center Staging president and owner, Jay Gernsbacher, says, "The major festivals really count on us to come through for them and often need us to do the impossible for them every year. And every year we do."

With 25 years experience in event productions, Jays says, "We can build any size stage, tower or platform in any configuration and under any conditions." Jay is also the Technical Director of the Houma-Terrebonne Civic Center and has worked with over 30 touring Broadway plays.

"It's a great deal of work, responsibility and satisfaction," says Eric Johnson, **Center Staging's** Operations Manager, "when you realize that every aspect of an event, like VooDoo, is depending on our ability to build multiple, large structures within critical time lines, all the while responding to last minute changes and logistical challenges. It's a great feeling of accomplishment when the event goes on as originally scheduled and our clients smile and thank each member of our team for all we do."

Recently, **Center Staging** has built stages and structures for The Essence Festival, The Gretna Fest, Island Aid in Grand Isle and The VooDoo Experience. This was a total of 6 major stages, 12 smaller stages, 7 mobile stages, almost 30 video, camera, sound and light towers, VIP platforms, ADA ramps and 35 food booths. Whew!



The VooDoo Experience 2010



Gretna Fest 2010

Have a Happy And Safe Holiday Season

Quote of the Month

"Never argue with idiots. They'll drag you down to their level and then they'll beat you with experience."



Recipe of the Month

[Zoe's Christmas BBQ Grilled Chicken](#)

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