



Questions?

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Lights Guide

(12th Season)



Some simple rules/tips:

- ◆ For all nighttime gigs you will need to have lights in your headpiece and on your costume
- ◆ Because your lights are your section's distinguishing feature at night, your lights need to be either your section's colour or white.
- ◆ Be creative with your lights! You have the opportunity to add an extra element to your costume, don't waste it by draping them around you light a Christmas tree.
- ◆ Make sure your lights are removable so you can change your batteries and wash your costume when needed

How to attach your lights:

As mentioned above, it is very important to make sure that you attach your lights so they can come off your costume to wash it and change the batteries. Therefore, think of ways to attach your lights that mean you can take them off when needed, such as Velcro, tape, or treading your lights through something like tubular crinoline to ensure easy access.

An easy solution, until you have worked out where you want your lights to go is something like tying them on with extra material/ribbon. It adds an extra element to your costume but also means that you have easy access to make any changes to your costume you may want to do in the future.

If you are going to sew your lights into place then make sure you are able to remove the piece you are sewing them into. From the experience of previous members, sewing is a time consuming way to attach your lights so you have to be very dedicated. If you want the same effect, fabric glue gets the same sticking power with half the emotional investment!

How to accentuate your lights:

Lights look especially good when put behind a thin fabric that they can illuminate, such as lace or tulle. They also look much better if you can't see the wiring, just the lights so try to wire them behind something such as a piece of fabric to give a more professional look.

Types of lights:

- ◆ Fairy lights
- ◆ EL wire
- ◆ Fibre optic
- ◆ Dot lights

Note: all lights have to be battery operated. We can't have extension cords running to each player during a gig!

Where can you get lights from?

- ◆ eBay/Amazon
 - ◆ Red Dot
 - ◆ Big W
- Lights are always more easily available around Christmas time, so stock up then to last for the rest of the season!

