PHILADELPHIA NIGHTTIME COMMUNITY SURVEY FACTS

In 2019, 24HrPHL surveyed 365 patrons, artists, and industry professionals in Philadelphia’s night-time creative economy to understand that community’s dimensions, priorities, and values.

KEY FINDINGS

Issues ranked as “moderate“ or “serious“ problems
1. Closing times
2. Preservation of DIY spaces
3. Sexual harassment or assault
4. Wages for industry professionals
5. Cost of liquor licenses

Values ranked as most important for nightlife
1. Inclusivity
2. Safety
3. Creativity

- Sexual and gender minorities and women expressed greater levels of concern for intolerance, harassment, safety of DIY spaces.
- Venue owners / managers have much stronger concerns about costs of liquor licenses, tax rates and nuisances. 96% support licensing reform.
- 53% of Artists/Musicians considered moving.
- 86.7% support closing hours extended beyond 2AM.
- 61% of all survey participants support night time economy post or office.

WHAT IS 24HR PHL?

24HrPHL is a community engagement and informational resource group by and for the nightlife arts and culture community in Philadelphia. Its “membership” consists of a loose informational network of over 300 DJs, venue owners, promoters, musicians and industry professionals. It is a community group and not a formal legal entity.

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