

## 2023 | Q2 Edition

We're pleased to bring you another installment of our Quarterly Newsletter! This edition includes:

- A preview of changes coming soon to two of our most important online tools, the Online Roster (soon to be replaced by the Industry Hub) and the Contract Services Portal
- Impact of the Safety Pass program over its twenty-year history
- An update about the IBEW, Local #40 apprenticeship program
- An overview of recent local union presentations to Contract Services staff at our monthly Lunch 'n' Learn

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## Launching Soon — The Industry Hub

By now you've seen the news:

Coming this summer, the Industry Hub will replace the [Online Roster](#) as the way to check the roster and training status of nearly 60,000 Industry Professionals, including (for the first time) those on the IATSE Television Commercial Roster (TCR).

Inspired by the user-friendly interface of the [CS ACCESS mobile app](#), the Hub has a modern look and feel and an intuitive design, uses clearly defined terminology and presents important information in a simple and easy-to-understand way.

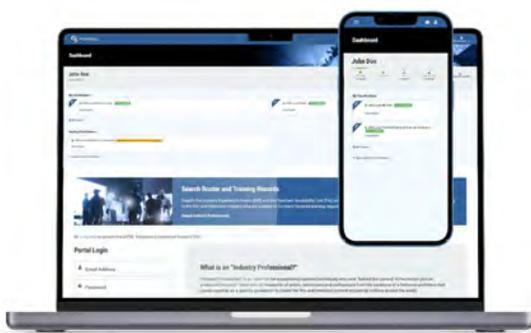


In addition, the Hub will serve as a gateway to a new Portal experience for Industry Professionals and Union Representatives (read more about that below).

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## Launching Soon — Your Portal to a Better CS Experience

With the pending launch of the Industry Hub, keeping up with your Contract Services requirements is going to get a lot



easier! Using a brand new Portal, you'll be able to apply for a roster, track your progress toward placement, or keep up with your classification and training requirements.

The new Portal puts everything you need to know about your classifications, requirements, deadlines and more, right at your fingertips. You'll be able to easily:

- Enroll for training
- Upload certificates and licenses (e.g., driver's license, medical examiner's certificate, teaching credentials, etc.)
- Know your deadlines
- Know when you'll advance to Group 2 or 1 (for Local #399 classifications with grouping)
- And so much more!

Local union representatives will also have a separate Portal allowing them to monitor the compliance status of their entire Local, including all pending roster applicants, at a glance.

More exciting updates are coming your way soon, so keep an eye out for details about how to claim your new Portal account when it launches later this summer!

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## Safety Pass' 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – What an Impact!

This year, we continue to celebrate the 20th anniversary of Safety Pass, Contract Services' industry-leading safety training program!

For twenty years, Safety Pass has played an indispensable role in providing safety training for the film and television production workforce and promoting a culture of safety on set. (You can read more about the origins of Safety Pass in our [Q1 Newsletter](#).)

In this newsletter, we want to highlight the impact of this groundbreaking program by sharing some truly impressive metrics:



You can learn more about the Safety Pass program on our website [here](#).

## IBEW, Local #40 Industry Apprenticeship Program — Testing Applicants Soon!

You may be familiar with Contract Services' training programs, but did you know that, since 1965, we have funded and jointly administered a IBEW Local #40 apprenticeship program to train studio electricians and HVAC mechanics?

The Wireman (Electrician) Apprenticeship Program is a four-year program consisting of classroom instruction and approximately 8,000 hours of on-the-job training. The duties of the Wireman Apprentice focus on general studio electrical work, including electrical construction of power and lighting; installation, maintenance testing and repairing of various electrical systems including motors and generators; installation, maintenance and repairing of intercommunication, public address, electric eye and signal systems; preparation of sketches showing location of all wiring and equipment; reading of diagrams and blueprints; and drafting requisitions for electrical parts.

While the current application period for the Wireman (Electrician) Apprenticeship has

closed, applicants who met the requirements will be invited to Contract Services to take an aptitude exam during a two-week period beginning July 31, 2023. The top scorers will be invited to an online interview, with the top candidates being placed on a dispatch list (and subsequently slotted into apprenticeship openings as they arise).

The application period for the HVAC Mechanic Apprenticeship will open in late-spring/early-summer next year. If you are interested, or know someone who may be, click [here](#) for more information.



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## Local Unions Participate in Educational Program for CS Staff

Contract Services is grateful for the recent participation of IATSE Locals #705, #706 and #44 in our monthly “Lunch ‘n’ Learn” program, which is a monthly guest speaker series designed to educate our staff about industry topics and provide greater context for our role in the film and television production landscape.



Last year, Adam West from Local #705 explained customer roles and classifications over the long history of this craft in Hollywood. This past March, Karen Westerfield, Patrice Madrigal and Leslie Devlin from Local #706 discussed facial hair and wigs, make-up effects, beauty make-up and the importance of continuity, while sharing stories about their extensive careers in the film and television industry. And in May, Local #44’s Tobey Bays, Angela Whiting, Krystal Donyes and Ron Shulem gave an overview of the varying responsibilities of the set decoration, construction, property and special effects departments.

“The local union presentations were of particular interest to our staff, since they got to interact with union representatives in a different context than our usual day-to-day interactions,” said Rob Davis, Contract Services’ Director of Administration. “It was great to get a better understanding of the on-set nuances of certain crafts.”

Other past Lunch ‘n’ Learn speakers have been from the Motion Picture Industry Pension & Health Plans, the California Film Commission, the Motion Picture Association, Entertainment Partners and other important industry players.

Thanks again to Locals #705, #706 and #44 for volunteering their time! If you or your organization would like to present to CS staff at a future Lunch 'n' Learn, please email [communications@csatf.org](mailto:communications@csatf.org). We would love to have you!

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