

Silent disco arrives at Stamford's Palace Theatre

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At a silent disco party three streams of music are sent simultaneously to special headphones worn by attendees, who have the option to switch channels at their whim. The Palace Theatre in Stamford will host one ... [more](#)

Three times the music, three times the fun and none of the noise. Such is the recipe for a "silent disco," a party at which guests toggle between three different DJs via wireless headphones. One of these communal, yet quiet, gatherings is [set to arrive in Stamford](#).

It is the first time a silent disco will take place at the Palace Theatre, organizers said. It also serves as a fundraiser for the theater's arts education programs. The first silent disco party popped up more than 10 years ago, but technological advancements and cultural changes in the way people listen to music has made them even more popular.

"When we first started out, it took us an hour and a half to get people out on the dance floor," said William Petz, founder and CEO of Quiet Events, the company running the party at the Palace. "At the time, when we told people to put on headphones and then dance on a dance floor they thought we were crazy."

Petz's company hosts events all over the world. At each one, attendees pick up special wireless headphones that have a switch. Each click changes the color on the headset, with corresponds to a particular DJ. One can control the volume or take a break from the music to talk. At this party, New York-based DJ Shortkutz, Jesse Koo and Wakim will be spinning the music.

Palace Theatre, 61 Atlantic St., Stamford. Thursday, April 26, 7 p.m. Must be 21 and older. \$50-\$40.50. 203-325-4466, palacestamford.org

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