# *VENUES SPOTS OP WEST 2027*

In 2027, Westouter will once again serve as the unique backdrop for the Spots op West location theatre festival. Many venues have now become fixtures at the festival, but new, 'unexplored' performance venues with plenty of potential are also emerging time and again. The list below is not definitive, but gives you an idea of what to expect at Spots op West. Some venues are not used every year; sometimes we manage to snap up new ones. Be sure to have a look through the list and who knows – you might just be inspired by one of the many hidden gems in Westouter.

*You can indicate your preferences on the registration form. The allocation of venues is carried out by the Spots op West organizers, but this can help us in the decision-making process.*



GENERAL

As this is a site-specific theatre festival, rather than one held in traditional theatres, we naturally expect a degree of flexibility in terms of technical requirements. When applying for Spots op West, please therefore bear the following in mind:

- At most venues, a basic lighting setup (front and back lights, no profile spotlights) and sound system are available. Any exceptions will be indicated by the venue.
- The organisers also have projectors, microphones, smoke machines and sunstrips available. However, these are not available as standard at every venue and must be requested in advance.
- We do NOT provide technical staff during the performance itself. If this poses a problem, please let us know in advance. We will then look for a solution.
- NO stage elements are provided.

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# 1. DOP - DorpsOntmoetingsPunt

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| | Neerplaats, 8954 Westouter |
| | The festival centre for Spots op West is the DorpsOntmoetingsPunt (DOP). Right in the middle of the grassy square, you'll find the beautiful 'old-school' spiegeltent with a cosy terrace, where festival-goers love to hang out between performances. |
| | Indoor venue (mirror tent) and outdoors around the mirror tent |
| | No blackout |
| | DOP: A mobile sound system will be provided, as well as sufficient power sockets. This must, however, be requested via the technicians.<br><br>Mirror tent:<br>- Sound: full PA system and technicians on site<br>- Lighting: fully equipped lighting system for performances |









## 2. Oc Utendoale

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| | Sulferbergstraat 11, 8954 Westouter |
| | Oc Utendoale is situated 100 metres from the heart of the festival, namely the DOP (with the spiegeltent, the food stalls, the ticket and information desk, etc.). Inside the community centre, there is a large hall with a raised stage, where a grandstand is often set up for the Spots op West festival. There are also a few smaller rooms and an inner courtyard. |
| | Indoor and outdoor venue (courtyard) |
| | No blackout |
| | Technical information:<br>- Performance area: 6m x 7.7m<br>- Seating capacity: 150 people (grandstand)<br>- Lighting: stage bridge, portal and option for backlighting + lighting console<br>- Sound: basic sound setup (speakers and mixing desk) |











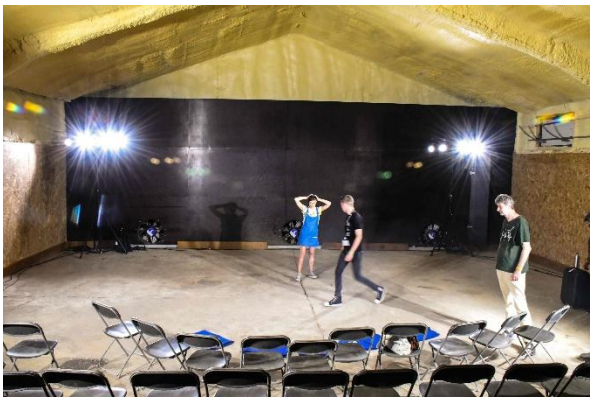


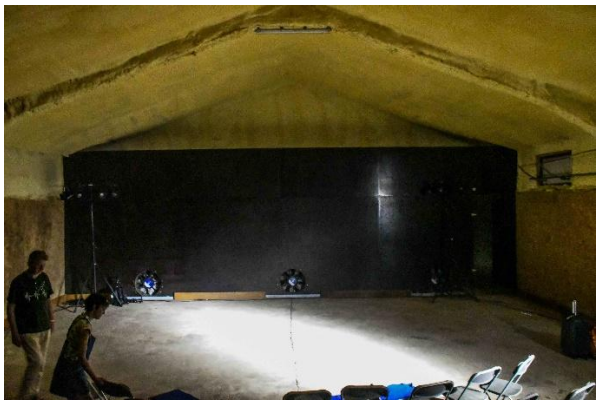
## 3. Hoeve Rodeberg

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| 📍 | Schomminkelstraat 26, 8954 Westouter |
| ℹ | One of the barns at this arable and holiday farm, set amidst the countryside, will be transformed into a spacious play area during Spots op West. |
| | Indoor venue |
| | Blackout possible |
| | Technical information:<br>- Playing area: 12m x 7m<br>- Seating capacity: 100 people (stands)<br>- Lighting: basic lighting set-up (front and rear + lighting console)<br>- Sound: basic sound set-up (speakers and mixing desk) |





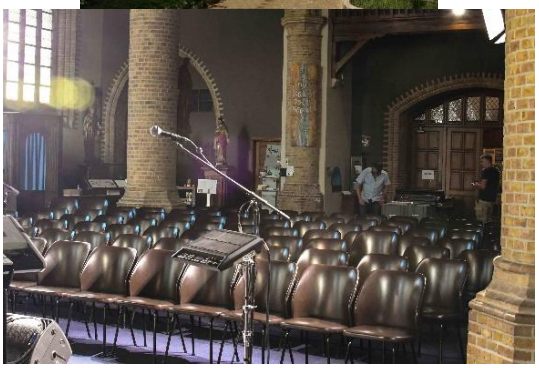




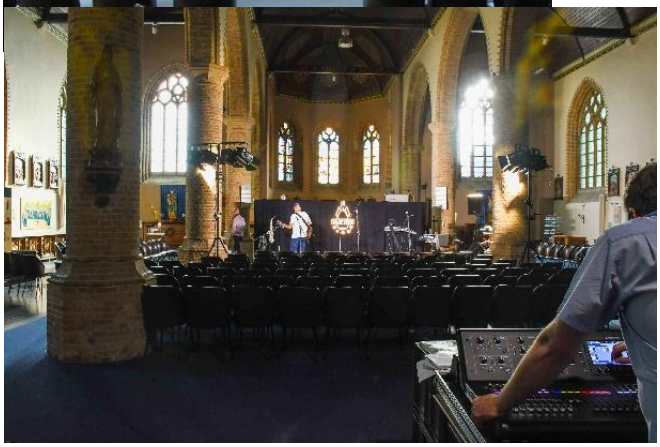
## 4. Sint-Eligiuskerk

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| | Sulferbergstraat 1, 8954 Westouter |
| | The parish church of St Eligius is situated right next to the DOP, the heart of the Spots op West festival. The church's history dates back to the 11th century, when the parish was founded. In the early 19th century, the church was restored following a devastating fire. During the First World War, the church was largely destroyed, with the exception of the tower, which is built of iron sandstone. A British military cemetery surrounds the church. |
| | Indoor venue |
| | No blackout |
| | Technical information:<br>- In terms of sound, only suitable for dance or music performances<br>- Performance area: 6m x 4m<br>- Seating capacity: 100 people (no stands; please bear this in mind for performances in which the performers are also seated)<br>- Lighting: basic lighting set-up (front and back + lighting console)<br>- Sound: basic sound setup (speakers and mixing desk) BUT it is a church building with a lot of reverberation; amplifying instruments is virtually impossible. |









## 5. Harlekijn

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| | Blauwpoortstraat 4, 8954 Westouter |
| | The ‘Harlekijn’ hall is the charming rehearsal room of ‘Flor Barbry’s Folk Theatre for French Flanders’. |
| | Indoor venue |
| | Blackout possible |
| | Technical information:<br>- Performance area: 5.7 m x 3.6 m (raised stage)<br>- Seating capacity: 62 people<br>- Lighting: basic lighting setup (front and rear + lighting console)<br>- Sound: basic sound setup (speakers and mixing desk) |







## 6. Youthclub ’n Westouterik

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| | Sulferbergstraat 7B, 8954 Westouter |
| | 'n Westouterik Youth Club is a youth centre founded in the 1970s, passed down from generation to generation. The youth centre is accessible from the DOP and is situated next to OC Utendoale. |
| | Indoor venue |
| | Blackout possible |
| | Technical details:<br>- Performance area: 3m x 2m (slightly raised stage)<br>- Seating capacity: 40 people<br>- Lighting: basic lighting set-up (front and rear lights + lighting console)<br>- Sound: basic sound set-up (speakers and mixing desk) |







## 7. Gedachtenistuin

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| | Hellegatstraat 3, 8954 Westouter |
| | This little green space in the centre of the village is intended to commemorate the refugees from the First World War and other wars. |
| | Outdoor venue |
| | No blackout |
| | Technical information:<br>- Performance area: as required<br>- Seating capacity: 60 people (no stands; please bear this in mind for performances in which the performers are also seated)<br><br>PLEASE NOTE: there is no electricity here!<br>- Lighting: No lighting is provided (open-air venue)<br>- Sound: A portable sound system can be provided that can operate autonomously on batteries for 3 hours. |









## 8. Begraafplaats

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| | Blauwpoortstraat 4B, 8954 Westouter |
| | The little pavilion in the cemetery is a play area that exudes a certain solemnity, yet also a sense of serenity. An intimate spot, surrounded by nature. |
| | Outdoor venue |
| | No blackout |
| | Technical information:<br>- Performance area: 4m x 4m (raised stage)<br>- Seating capacity: 50 people (no stands; please bear this in mind for performances in which the performers are also seated)<br><br>PLEASE NOTE: there is no electricity here!<br>- Lighting: No lighting is provided (open-air venue)<br>- Sound: A portable sound system can be provided that can operate autonomously on batteries for 3 hours. |









## 9. Loods Soenen

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| | Boeschepestraat 6, 8954 Westouter |
| | The Soenen warehouse belongs to a potato company. During Spots op West, the warehouse is transformed into a play area. The back wall is formed by a backdrop of machinery, which does have a rather theatrical feel to it. This is the most spacious venue at Spots op West. Please bear in mind that this play area can be quite dusty. |
| | Indoor venue |
| | Blackout possible |
| | Technical information:<br>- Playing area: 36m x 19m<br>- Seating capacity: 220 people (stands)<br>- Lighting: basic lighting set-up (front and rear + lighting console)<br>Sound: basic sound set-up (speakers and mixing desk) |





